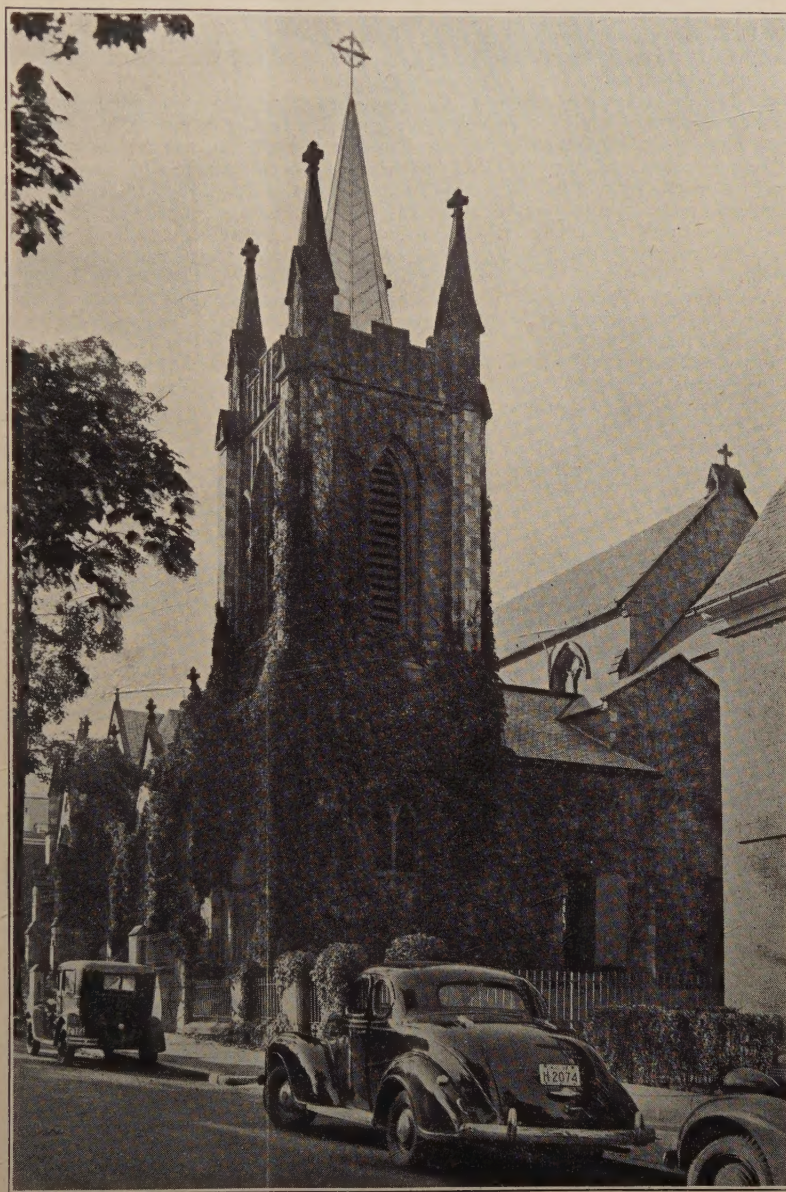


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The Concordat Again

TO THE EDITOR: I note with regret the agitation on the part of Bishop Manning and others to withdraw the proposed Episcopal-Presbyterian concordat from further consideration. Without entering into discussion as to the merits of their case, I would say that if a considerable group in the Church feel as they do, the concordat should be withdrawn.

The point of this letter is that if this is done, then, for heaven's sake, let us stop talking about Church unity; it comes too seriously close to hypocrisy. What this group is apparently interested in, despite their declarations is *Church adoption*, not *Church unity*.

Presumably, these individuals are very much annoyed by the overtures which are made to us by Rome. They reject emphatically the claims which Rome makes and her unwillingness to meet us even part way. Of course Rome wants unity—on its terms—but it is hard to see how its attitude toward us is any different from our attitude toward the rest of Protestantism.

It is very commendable to visualize the time when "the lion and the lamb shall lie down together." But it is hardly a tribute to our sincerity, to our Christian charity and good taste, to talk as though we expected the Protestant lamb to lie down inside the Episcopal lion. Unless we are willing to go part way, let us stop making ourselves ridiculous by these meaningless gestures toward unity.

(Rev.) RICHARD GREELEY PRESTON.

Worcester, Mass.

TO THE EDITOR: As a minister in the Presbyterian Church, USA, I want to thank you most heartily for the space which you have given in your issue of November 15th to letters received by you concerning the proposed concordat. May I make a few observations and ask a few questions?

(1) According to Dr. Brown of New York there are many in the ministry of your Church who "hold views of the ministry which do not differ in principle from those of their Presbyterian fellow-Christians." Now, just what do these words of the learned theologian mean?

For the sake of your readers who are not Presbyterians let me say that in the Presbyterian Church USA, ministers are ordained, or are supposed to be ordained, by what we call presbyteries; and ordination means that the one ordained has become a "bishop or pastor" (Form of Government, Chapters IV, XV, XVI, XXII). No one can be a bishop without being a pastor, nor a pastor without being a bishop.

But, according to the practice of the Presbyterian Church, ordination by a presbytery differs in no way from ordination by a congregation of worshippers, or by a council of preachers, or by a committee of pastors, or by a conference of preachers and laymen, or by any other such maverick gathering. The one "ordination" is just as valid as the other. A minister ordained by "an association of brother ministers" coming into the Presbyterian Church does not need to enter into the fold by the front door. He may climb in some other way; and, having got in, he becomes a bishop in the Presbyterian Church USA.

But even when we have been made (or ordained) Presbyterian bishops, we have not been ordained, nor do we pretend to have received ordination to the Holy Office of Priest-

hood. Just how can any minister in your Church, if he has been ordained a priest in the Church of God, after the manner of ordering priests set forth in your Book of Common Prayer, pages 534 ff., "hold views of the ministry" similar to those commonly held in the Presbyterian Church?

(2) What is the "mutual extension of ordination" supposed to accomplish? Let us assume that a priest belonging to your Church is to have this extension of ordination (will that be the language to use?) conferred upon him by the presbytery of Milwaukee. Just what special *charisma* can the Presbyterian bishops in the presbytery of Milwaukee bestow upon him?

On the other hand, let us assume that a minister, that is, a bishop or pastor, belonging to the Presbyterian Church has this extension of ordination conferred upon him—will that make him a priest in the Church of God?

(3) Let me ask another question. In the *Christian Century*, December 14, 1938, there appeared an editorial concerning the proposed concordat. It is pointed out that words should be carefully used and defined, so that their meaning is *not* be obscured. Two weeks later, December 28, 1938, in the correspondence column of that same periodical there appeared a letter from a bishop in the Presbyterian Church, who insisted that "the one thing" which the leaders in the Presbyterian Church do *not* want is to have words clearly defined. Rightly or wrongly, he contended that the *vagueness* of phrases was a mark of *genius* in the Presbyterian Church! The editor of the *Christian Century*, having had his attention called to the advantage which lies in using words which are not clearly defined, seemed only too willing to let the writer of the letter have his say.

It might be contended that the Presbyterian bishops on the negotiating committee are not responsible for any of these statements; but, so far as I have been able to discover, none of them have frowned upon such sugges-

tions that by the use of words which we *not* try to define the concordat can be pushed along. May I ask if that sort of policy, being pursued by the committee representing your Church?

(4) In conclusion, let me say how much I did enjoy Dr. Dumphy's letter in your issue of November 1st. I have shown it to several of my friends and, without exception, they have enjoyed it too. But—I am wondering what sort of fate would be in store for him if he were a bishop in the Presbyterian Church and not a poor priest in the Church of God! Such liberty of expression is not looked upon with favor in the Presbyterian Church.

It is a real privilege to be able to read *THE LIVING CHURCH* and see the proposed concordat discussed without fear or favor.

(Rev.) J. R. McMAHON.

Monmouth, Ill.

A Christian Pacifist

TO THE EDITOR: My attention has been called to a letter by Major G. Everett Hill Jr., in your issue of November 8th criticizing one of mine in your issue of October 18th, where I wrote for neutrality of our country in the present war and quoted from *The Life and Letters of Walter H. Page*, an evidence that we went into the last war to save the American bankers.

There is not much to say in rebuttal. I call my neutrality "craven." He is probably unaware that I am a Christian pacifist and write from conviction. It appears I was a few million dollars out the way in quoting the overdraft of the English on the American bankers, as of December 31, 1916. But what are few millions to a monetary system making frantic efforts to finance a war, anyway? I quoted from memory, not having Page's books at hand. The good Major draws a different inference from Ambassador Page's book. He says: "*The credit of the Allies, not the solvency of the American bankers, was at stake*" by the overdraft mentioned, which was paid from our first Liberty Loan. So 'Twas to save the international bankers, not the American bankers. I apologize to the American bankers. The rest of Major Hill's letter is that of an apologist for the banking system as an institution. I am an apologist only for my convictions as a Christian minister.

(Rev.) A. L. BYRON-CURTISS.

Atwell, N. Y.

"God in One"

TO THE EDITOR: It is unfortunate that Fr. Tyner should have marred by a flimsy misstatement his article on Enthusiasm in the November 15th issue of *THE LIVING CHURCH* and thereby largely missed the point he sought to make. He concludes his article, on page 18, thus:

"Enthusiasm means 'In God'."

As a matter of fact, "enthusiasm" means the exact converse of "In God;" namely, "God in one." It is derived from a Greek word meaning "the state of being possessed by a God"—generally, but by no means necessarily by Apollo.

If Fr. Tyner's last line be amended to read "Enthusiasm" means 'possessed of God,' it will give new point and power to his article. New York.

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EDITORIALS AND COMMENTS

Books as Usual

IT IS an interesting fact that the English weeklies, both religious and secular, have kept steadily on with their book review departments through the months just past. Even more interesting is the news received from publishers and book-sellers to the effect that there is no decrease in the demand for books. The only difficulties would seem to be those connected with getting books and papers into the hands of the readers who order them. People want books now as much as they ever did. One English journal declared that the slogan was: "Books as usual."

In response to questions as to what kinds of books English people wish to have now, it is surprising to hear recently that they are not asking for war books nor for books of a wholly political nature. The English people, it is said by reliable observers, seek books that give some light on the spiritual condition of a world in which such conflicts as the present war are possible, with suggested spiritual remedies. These are religious books, philosophical treatises in simple language, distinctly devotional books, and new books on the Bible.

One writer remarked in an article on the subject that the English were returning to "the Victorian age, when the family sat around the fire while father read aloud a sermon from an imminent divine." Another writer commented upon the fact that "the Bible or some other religious book" is once more read by individual men, women and children just before going to bed. Still another went so far as to declare that the return to "serious reading" was one of the phenomena of the war, among the English people as a whole.

It need hardly be said that English Churchpeople have always engaged in such reading. The change would appear to be that their numbers have increased. The reasons are so plain that they require no recounting. A few persons remember ever that God is their refuge and strength. But the great majority, even of Christian people, remember it only when they are in peril. Then, instinctively, they seek after God, if haply they may find Him. The great Guide Book, the Holy Bible, is loved by all of them. They read it more extensively, more thoughtfully, more prayerfully. Then, they turn to other books, in which they may discover help in understanding the purposes of God for this present time. Really, no one should be in the least

surprised that the people of England are reading spiritual books in this day and hour.

What is happening in America in this matter? We all know that during the war of 1914 to 1918 there was a large and insistent demand for war books and plays. These were of many sorts, from diaries, written at the front, to fiction; they included the authoritative works of old statesmen and the sonnets of young poets. Today, people in America are not looking for such books. They too are interested to read books that will throw illumination on the darkness of the world and give some counsel as to what to do in these days: perilous for all the world. Over here, the slogan also is: "Books as usual." Men, women and children are reading. There may be no more books than in other years, as indeed there are not in England; but people are spending more time reading them.

IN OUR Holiday Book Number, we usually list a few new books selected by a variety of book-lovers. It is in answer to urgent requests that, this year, we have instead a list containing a great many new books, with careful description of their contents. And all these books are religious or philosophical books; some simple, some more advanced. Our readers are desirous of understanding the state of the world, in the light of the purposes of God. They are turning to books, the work of specialists in the realm of spiritual understanding and interpretation. "What books are to be had, now? What, briefly, is in them?" These questions have been asked. The article, *Leading New Books for Clergy and Laity*, tries, with the aid of many experts, to make answer.

Parents and others who know and care for children try to keep the sorrows and, above all, the uncertainties of the world away from them. But also, when these protectors of childhood are what the Scots call "deep-thinking," they take care to fortify the children against the time when they must take their parts in trying to make the world a happier and more secure place. There is no problem here for Christian parents and friends of children. They are aware that God alone is our refuge and strength, our only very present help in time of trouble. And they teach this mighty doctrine to the children.

The question comes as to ways of teaching it. It need hardly

be said that the first and greatest way is the way to the Altar. Children learn this by actual experience, beginning when they are so very young that they cannot yet apprehend what they see at the Altar and hear from the Altar. Soon they are old enough to understand simple explanations, through pictures and stories and verses. Then follows the time when they can read for themselves. If the earlier preparation has been made, the boys and girls will read religious books with the same eagerness with which they read other books. The books should be put into their hands.

Good religious books for children are few in number as compared with other juvenile books. But they do not quickly fade. Some of the best religious books for boys and girls are old. Another characteristic of religious books for children is that they can be read many times without becoming tiresome. Stories of saints have renewed interest as the festival of each particular saint comes yearly in the calendar. The fine versions of the Bible stories never grow dim. Beautiful pictures, year by year, give fresh vividness to the Christmas Story in its Gospel words. The children need religious books, and they need new ones, just as much as do their elders. A new one, several times a year, will start a little collection of interest now and of value always.

"Books as usual" is an excellent slogan, regardless of the time or place, the boy or girl, the man or woman. We can think of only one slogan applying to this subject of books which is better. That is: "More books than usual." People who like books, who use books whether for spiritual fortification or for intellectual improvement, or even just for refreshment, invariably affirm that they "cannot have too many good books." And they are right.

Footnote

WE CANNOT resist adding, as a sort of footnote to the recommendations of excellent books as Christmas gifts which we publish in this issue, a publication that will be a welcome addition to any Churchman's reading: THE LIVING CHURCH, Morehouse-Gorham, 2 vols., approx. 600 pages each, \$4.00. This is what the separate issues of THE LIVING CHURCH comprise, taken together! Next year, week by week, we shall present notable articles by Church leaders, full coverage of important Church news, comment on current events, illustrations, features—all maintained and improving the high standard of service that THE LIVING CHURCH FAMILY has known in the past.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

SUBSCRIBER—St. Matthew 23:9, "Call no man your father," cannot very well be taken as a rule laid down by our Lord for ecclesiastical terminology. Note that the following verse says: "Neither be ye called master," thus eliminating the possibility of addressing the clergy as "mister," which of course is a variant form of the same word. In the preceding verse the disciples are told that they must not be called teachers, which eliminates the possibility of calling clergymen "doctor" (Latin for "teacher"). The three verses together

Sursum Corda

By the Rev. Bernard Iddings Bell, D.D.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 10TH

AS I await God's Advent clothed in my humanity, what does my soul desire of Him? I need a restoration of hope, a new expectation of good, in the midst of a world which seems to grow no better with the passing of the years.

A child of my age, I once found it easy to believe that there is indeed some "far-off, divine event toward which creation moves," a goal of future goodness set in terms of time, expectation of which is sufficient solace for the bitterness of present disappointment; and that man somehow approaches that goodness by an inevitable progress from bad to good, from good to better, down through the years. That belief, much reading of history plus an observation of man's actual behavior has served to destroy. In terms of time, there is an endless sameness, a perpetual cycle of frustration. It is only of late that man has looked to the future for his Utopia. In former times he found it, in a dream world faintly recalled, at the dawn of history.

But is the Garden of Eden something lost long, long ago or something lost today? And is heaven a state to be reattained here on earth only by our remote descendants, or by us? By us it seems, or else by nobody.

If I would avoid a complete hopelessness, I must somehow escape from time into eternity. That is what every religion which ever has mattered has attempted to do for its devotees. And so with the religion founded by Jesus Christ, the God whose Advent I now contemplate. He bade us think not of tomorrow, but of today. The Kingdom of God is not something to be attained to in the far off future; it is not even something which must be built: it is a thing even now in our midst though our eyes may be too blind to see it, our ears too dull to hear eternal melody. It is a thing all ready to enter into, whenever we seek it and pay the entrance price. It is not a "dim, far off event;" it is a present state of being. We are not heirs who someday may inherit it, ourselves or our descendants; we are inheritors of it the instant in which we decide to take possession.

Time, as the mathematicians truly tell us, is a notion existent only in man's mind, a notion inherent in his sensory limitations. In reality there is no such thing. Progress is not then, from now to tomorrow, but from outward to inward, from fact to meaning, from matter to spirit, from earth to God.

God comes, then, Incarnate, to save me from a world of time and space, in terms of which illusions I come only to death and society comes only to futility and continued self-destruction. Life Eternal is to know God, "whom truly to know is everlasting life." Day by day I have said it, for years now, in the Morning Office; but have I wholly understood? For what do saints hope? For a tinsel earthly paradise, in the far, far future wherein, for all its beauty, men still die and come to nothing? If I must hope only for that, I come upon inevitable despair. No; "eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man, that which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

can only be taken as a hyperbolic emphasis of the unique authority of God. In the text were to be taken as a literal command, it would not refer primarily to the clergy, but to male parents: "Call no man your father." Those who use the term "father" for the clergy do so for the same reason that they (and other people) use the term for their male parent—because it seems to them that the fatherly relation of a pastor to his people can best be expressed in that way.

Leading New Books for Clergy and Laity

By Elizabeth McCracken

A CONSIDERABLE number of readers, both clerical and lay, have asked us to publish in the Holiday Book Number this year an annotated list of the leading new books, including religious books and others bearing upon religion. What these readers desire is a convenient directory of what is "to be had," as the English say. To some extent, such a directory has been provided in Books Received, printed from time to time. But space prevented more than a brief description in that list; also, there was less freedom of choice among the new books. In compiling the following list, the kind help of specialists in the several fields has been available. The more important books cited will be reviewed in due course by these experts. The present list is simply a guide.

BOOKS ON THEOLOGY

The Approach to Christianity. By W. Norman Pittenger. Centenary Press, London. Pp. 153. \$1.40. (Obtainable in America.)

A SHORT statement of the Christian faith addressed particularly to those who are acquainted with modern scientific thought and the general philosophical outlook of the age. The point of view of the author, who is a lecturer in the General theological seminary, is both Catholic and "modernist": Catholic, in that it is concerned to maintain the fundamental values and emphases of the great tradition in Christendom as mediated through the Anglican communion, "modernist," in that it seeks to relate these values and emphases to new knowledge and to present the faith in modern language. Both clergy and laity will find the book of practical help.

Christianity and Morals. By Edward Westermarck. Macmillan, New York. Pp. 427. \$5.00.

A MONUMENTAL work by a celebrated scholar in this field. The book takes up the whole question of religion and morality and considers that subject in its relation to the fundamental doctrines of the Christian religion as embodied in the Church. Every department of life, individual and social, is covered by the discussion. This is one of the most important books of the year.

Christianity and Philosophy. By Etienne Gilson. Sheed & Ward, New York. Pp. 134. \$2.00.

THE chapters of this interesting book consist of a series of lectures delivered before a group of Protestant theologians in Paris. The purpose of the lectures was to discuss certain conceptions of the relations of faith and reason, which, were they accepted, would preclude the very possibility of a Christian philosophy by making it a contradiction in terms. The point of view of M. Gilson, who is a devout Roman Catholic, is that Catholic truth is consistent with Christian philosophy. This is an important book. It is designed for the clergy and those of the laity who are in the habit of reading theology and philosophy.

Our Knowledge of God. By John Baillie. Scribners, New York. Pp. 262. \$2.50.

THIS book, by an eminent theologian, considers the nature and extent of man's knowledge of God. While the great contributions to that knowledge made by the profound scholars of every era are duly studied, Dr. Baillie's basic conviction is that man knows God only by direct personal experience. The book is not easy reading for the laity, but it will repay their study and reflection.

Spirit and its Freedom. By George F. Thomas. University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, N. C. Pp. 149. \$1.00.

THE John Calvin McNair lectures for 1939. This lectureship was founded in 1849, but the first series was not delivered until 1906. The terms of the bequest require that the lectures shall deal with "the mutual bearing of science and religion upon each other." Considerable latitude of interpretation of this provision is allowed, as the records plainly show. Dr. Thomas' lectures deal with spirit, seen as that creative activity by which individuals discern universal truth and good, and serve their fellow men with

the love resultant upon faith in their divine potentialities. It is of particular value for the laity, though it is rather close reading.

Spirit and Reality. By Nicolas Berdyaev. Translated by George Reavey. Scribners, New York. Pp. 204. \$3.00.

AN ILLUMINATING comment upon this, the latest translation of Berdyaev, is that it is "a diagnosis of our spiritual distress" in a mechanistic world, with a spiritual revival as the only effectual remedy. The book is difficult to read, but it will be eagerly taken in hand by those many Churchpeople, lay as well as clerical, to whom a new book by Berdyaev is a notable event.

You: Your Nature; Your State; Your Need. By Bede Frost. Morehouse-Gorham, New York. \$1.40.

THIS is a theological book so simply written that the laity, young people included, can read it easily, notwithstanding the profound nature of its subject: the relation between man and God in the faith and practice of the Christian religion. *Faith and Practice*, by Frank E. Wilson (Morehouse-Gorham, New York, Pp. 320. \$2.50), several times before cited in these pages, should be read with Fr. Frost's book.

BOOKS ON THE BIBLE

Anthology of the Bible. Compiled by Eric Parker. With a Foreword by C. A. Alington. Lippincott, Philadelphia. Pp. 511. \$3.00.

A LECTONARY for use on special occasions when the appointed Lessons for the day do not quite fit in. The compiler says in his preface that the book grew out of his own need. In his parish church, as in so many in England, a layman reads the Lessons at all services, and is often told by the rector or vicar that he may choose such passages of Scripture as he desires. These are those that Mr. Parker selected from time to time, arranged under headings of interest, among them: Angels, Children, Weather, Fisherman, Visions, Reward, Friends, Mercy, Jerusalem, Nazareth, The Messiah. Churches, schools, and families will find this book a constant help.

Christ. By W. R. Matthews. Macmillan, New York. Pp. 149. \$2.00.

A NEW book by the Dean of St. Paul's, on the teaching of Jesus. It is a scholarly study of the Gospel sources, with a penetrating application of the sayings of Christ to the lives of men and women. The laity will find the book of great inspirational value.

The Complete Bible: An American Translation. University of Chicago Press, Chicago. Pp. xxiv, 1,837. \$3.00.

PRINTED on India paper, this book is not much larger than the copy of the Bible in most general use. It is the first one-volume edition of this celebrated translation. The Old Testament, translated by J. M. Powis Smith and a group of other scholars (Pp. xvi, 883), and the New Testament, translated by Edgar J. Goodspeed (Pp. iv, 752), were published in 1931. Last year, Dr. Goodspeed's translation of the Old Testament Apocrypha (Pp. iv-202) was published. All three are included in this present volume. The book is invaluable to scholars and ordinary Bible readers alike.

The Gospels: Their Growth and Origin. By Donald Wayne Ridley. University of Chicago Press, Chicago. Pp. 305. \$3.00.

A IMPORTANT book on the history and meaning of the Gospels, by the Associate Professor of New Testament Literature in the University of Chicago. Of special interest to other scholars in this field, the book will be valuable to all students and teachers of the New Testament.

Personalities of the Old Testament. By Fleming James. With a Foreword by Julius Brewer. Scribners. Pp. 632. \$3.00.

STUDIES of great Old Testament personalities, presented in biographical form. Moses, Joshua, Deborah, Gideon, Samuel, Saul, David, Solomon, Elijah, Elisha, Amos, Ezra, Qoheleth the Preacher, the writer of the book of Job, the writer of the book of Daniel, and the wise men of the book of Proverbs are the

personalities studied. All Bible readers will wish to own this book, and teachers will find it stimulating. The author is professor of Old Testament in Berkeley Divinity School.

The Prophets. By Beryl D. Cohon. Scribners, New York. Pp. 232. \$2.00.

A BOOK on the Prophets by a rabbi of note, now at Temple Sinai, Boston, and on the faculty of Boston University. The Prophets and their teaching are vividly presented. Young people, with whom Rabbi Cohon has done notable work, will like the book, and preachers will find it helpful.

BOOKS ON LITURGICS

Anglican Liturgies. Edited by J. H. Arnold. Oxford University Press, New York. Pp. 195. \$3.00.

THIS book, an Alcuin Club work, gathers into one volume the Eucharistic liturgies of every branch of the Anglican communion. The radical differences between them will surprise many Church people. Liturgical scholars will certainly provide themselves with this book, but Church people in general should also possess it and give it attentive study.

A Lectionary of Christian Prose. Compiled by A. C. Bouquet. Longmans, Green, New York. Pp. 390. \$3.00.

THE selections in this interesting book range from the second century to the twentieth. All are from other sources than the Bible, and they follow the calendar of the Christian year. The compiler, who is vicar of All Saints, Cambridge, England, and a well-known lecturer on theology, prepared the book in order to provide Anglicans with a complete lectionary of prose passages to supplement the customary Bible Lessons. As Dr. Bouquet says, the Church has so supplemented them since the time of Gregory the Great. The book will fill a special need in schools and colleges, both at chapel services and in other gatherings for prayer.

The Orthodox Liturgy. SPCK. Imported by Macmillan, New York. Pp. 110. \$1.00.

THE Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom and St. Basil the Great, according to the use of the Church of Russia. The book was prepared by liturgiologists who are members of the Fellowship of St. Alban and St. Sergius. Not only those Church people who sometimes attend services in the Russian Orthodox Church but also all others who have a sympathetic interest in the heroic struggle being made by that Church today, should own this book.

BOOKS ON PASTORAL THEOLOGY

This Holy Fellowship. Edited by Edward Rochie Hardy, Jr., and W. Norman Pittenger. With a preface by Hughell Edgar Woodall Fosbrooke. Morehouse-Gorham, New York. \$2.50.

THE 14 essays in this notable volume are by writers connected with the General Theological seminary, either now or recently. The book is a memorial to the late Frank Stanton Burns Gavin, for 15 years professor of ecclesiastical history in the seminary. Several of the essayists were his pupils, others were his colleagues, all were his friends. Following Dean Fosbrooke's preface are the several essays: Introduction, by the Editors; The World Around Us, by John Atherton Bell; Present-day Preaching, by Theodore P. Ferris; The Christian Assertions, by W. Norman Pittenger; The Sacred Liturgy, by Edward Rochie Hardy, Jr.; The Music of the Parish Church, by Ray Francis Brown; Pastoral Care, by Stephen F. Bayne; Religious Education in the Modern Parish, by Thomas Noel Rodenmayer; The Social Worker and the Parish Priest, by Mary Swan Brisley; Psychological Insight in Pastoral Care, by Otis R. Rice; Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, by William Scott Chalmers. Various aspects of the Christian faith, worship and life, as Catholics understand them, are viewed in the light of contemporary life and discussed. Beneath the "diversity of approach" and "variety of emphasis," cited by Dean Fosbrooke, there is a oneness of purpose in the book: to help the people of the modern parish to lay hold on the eternal realities of the ancient faith.

Preaching the Gospel. By Howard Chandler Robbins. Harpers. Pp. 151. \$1.00.

THE John Bohlen Lectures for 1938. The book offers a plan for a year's preaching appropriate to the seasons of the Christian year. The calendar followed is not identical with but closely resembles that of the Anglican communion. Dr. Robbins is professor of pastoral theology in the General theological seminary and a preacher and writer of note.

The Priest as Student. By Various Writers. Edited by Hubert S. Box. SPCK. Imported by Macmillan, New York. Pp. 380. \$2.40.

THIRTEEN eminent English priests contribute the essays in this volume. The Importance of Study, by Thomas Hannay, comes after the editor's preface. Then the study of the following subjects is discussed: The Old Testament, by S. L. Brown; The New Testament, by L. J. Collins; The Fathers, by W. J. Sparrow Simpson; Dogmatic Theology, by Trevor Jalland; Moral Theology, by Hubert S. Box; Spiritual Theology, by Patrick Thompson; Canon Law, by G. W. O. Addleshaw; Church History, by Charles H. Smyth; Liturgiology, by Henry de Candole; Philosophy, by F. L. Cross; Sociology, by V. Auguste Demant; Literature, by Marcus Donovan. Different as the essays are, both in content and in style, they are alike in that they all stress the necessity of continued study on the part of every priest who would be a good pastor.

Sermons for Lay Readers. By Reginald Stephen. SPCK. Imported by Macmillan. Pp. 213. \$1.50.

THESE sermons, by the former Bishop of Tasmania and of Newcastle, meet a real need. Forty-two in number, they vary greatly in their topics. Yet all appeal directly to the typical congregation of devout Christians. Any lay reader will find in these simple and rather short sermons the solution of his problem when he is called upon to read a sermon.

BOOKS ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Chalk for Children. By H. A. Wilson. Morehouse-Gorham, New York. 60 cts.

A NEW book by the beloved author of the "Haggerston" books. In it Fr. Wilson tells, in his inimitable style, about his ways of teaching religion to the children of his famous parish. Everyone, whether clerical or lay, parent or teacher, will want this book.

The Drama of Our Religion. By A. Graham Baldwin. Oxford University Press, New York. Pp. 253. \$1.80.

A STUDY of early Hebrew history and the beginning of Christianity, with special reference to the development of the religious consciousness of children through a right understanding of the Bible both as history and as revelation. The book may be used as a textbook or as a supplementary reading book. Boys and girls of high school age should have it. Each chapter is preceded by a short list of passages from the Bible and other sources. The author is a member of the faculty of Phillips academy, Andover.

The Opening Doors of Childhood. By Lewis Joseph Sherrill. Macmillan, New York. Pp. 193. \$1.75.

A PRACTICAL guide for parents in the Christian education of their children in the home. Suggestions are given as to the answering of the first questions of the youngest children about spiritual things, the telling of Bible stories, the development of Christian principles and behavior, and the relation of even the little boy and girl to the world outside. It is a fine book.

Our Youth for Christ. By R. L. Middleton. Boardman Press, Nashville, Tenn. Pp. 164. \$1.00.

THIS is a selection from the talks given by the author at the opening services of the church school. There is a vividness and simplicity about them which will commend them to other leaders.

Story Sermons from Literature and Art. By Walter Dudley Cavert. Harpers. New York. Pp. 151. \$1.50.

A COLLECTION of 70 sermons for young people, 58 of which are based on stories from incidents in literature or in the lives of great artists. The remaining sermons are general in character. It is an excellent book, either for the clergy who preach special sermons to children or for the boys and girls themselves, who will read it with interest as a story-book.

Pioneers in Religious Education. By T. F. Kinloch. With a foreword by J. S. Whale. Oxford University Press, New York. \$1.25.

THIS is an historical survey of methods used in religious education from the Reformation to the present time. It considers first the meaning of the term to the great teachers of each age; then it goes on to show what methods were used. The book is invaluable.

Youth and the Way of Jesus. By Roy A. Burkhardt. Round Table Press, New York. Pp. 212. \$2.00.

THIS is a book for leaders of young people. It is also a book for the young people themselves. Such a book is not often seen. Dr. Burkhardt is well known for his leadership of youth, and his book has grown out of his own experience.

BOOKS ON COMPARATIVE RELIGION

The Bible of the World. Edited by Robert O. Ballou, in collaboration with Friedrich Spiegelberg and with the assistance and advice of Horace L. Friess. Viking Press, New York. Pp. 1,415. \$5.00.

THIS truly monumental work is a compendium of the Scriptures of all the great religions of the world. These sacred writings include the Hindu Scriptures, the Buddhist, the Confucianist, the Taoist, the Zoroastrian, the Mohammedan, the Jewish, and the Christian. In many instances, the sacred books are given in their entirety, but this is not done with the New Testament, where the Life and Sayings of Christ are compiled from the Four Gospels. On the other hand, the Apocryphal New Testament is included. The book is valuable from several points of view, not least because it presents in one volume ancient texts not easily obtained by many readers.

Hinduism or Christianity? By Sydney Cave. Harpers, New York. Pp. 240. \$2.00.

A HELPFUL book for the student of comparative religion and the missionary. The contrast between the beliefs of Hinduism and the Christian faith is clearly set forth. The substance of the book was contained in the Haskell Lectures for 1939, delivered at Oberlin college.

Religion in Primitive Society. By Wilson D. Wallis. Illustrated. F. S. Crofts, New York. Pp. 388. \$5.00.

THIS is a volume in the Crofts Anthropology Series. It will interest American students because the primitive religions of this continent receive extended study.

BOOKS ON MISSIONS

The Economic and Social Environment of the Younger Churches. By J. Merle Davis. International Missionary Council, New York. Pp. 231. \$1.00.

THIS is one of the principal books prepared for the Madras Conference. A limited number of copies were printed for the use of delegates. The American edition has just been published. The book is the result of a series of careful, detailed studies of the indigenous Churches in several Eastern countries. It is one of the most valuable books on the missionary movement ever published.

The Authority of the Faith. By Various Writers. International Missionary Council, New York. Pp. x-197. \$1.25.

VOLUME I of the Madras series. In addition to the report of Section 1, the book contains essays written specially for it by Walter Horton, H. H. Farmer, A. G. Hogg, D. G. Moses, T. C. Chao, Karl Hartenstein, and Hendrik Kraemer; also the report of Section 5 on The Church's Witness in Relation to Non-Christian Faiths.

The Growing Church. By Various Writers. International Missionary Council, New York. Pp. v-281. \$1.50.

Volume II of the Madras series. It contains the report of Section 2 on The Nature and Function of the Church together with descriptive statements of living Churches in Japan, China, the Philippine Islands, the Netherlands, Indies, India, Iran, Madagascar, Uganda, the Gold Coast, Nyasaland, Brazil, and the Pacific islands. The authors represent many nationalities.

Evangelism. By Various Writers. International Missionary Council, New York. Pp. x-418. \$1.50.

Volume III of the Madras series. It contains the report of Section 3 on The Unfinished Task, the report of Section 4 on The Place of the Church in Evangelism, the report of Section 6 on Missionary Policies and Methods; also papers by Frank Whittaker and Toyohiko Kagawa.

These three volumes will be followed shortly by the remaining four of the complete series: Volume IV, *The Life of the Church*; Volume V, *The Economic Basis of the Church*; Volume VI, *The Church and the State*; Volume VII, *Addresses and Records*. The price of each of these four volumes is \$1.50. The entire set of seven volumes may be obtained for \$7.50.

Five Decades and a Forward View. By John R. Mott. Harpers, New York. Pp. 139. \$1.50.

THIS book considers the problems and progress of Christian missions in the past fifty years. Each of the first five chapters deals with a movement or aspect of missions to which Dr. Mott, in that decade, was closely and responsibly related. The last two chapters discuss the Madras conference.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT BOOKS

The Flowering of Mysticism. By Rufus M. Jones. Macmillan, New York. Pp. 270. \$2.50.

AN HISTORICAL study of the great mystics of the 14th century. To specialists in this field, the book will be a welcome addition to the studies of mysticism already on their shelves. But Dr. Jones has the general reader always in mind, and the book should have a wide appeal.

House of Hospitality. By Dorothy Day. Sheed & Ward, New York. Pp. 275. \$2.50.

THIS new book, by the author of *From Union Square to Rome*, tells as remarkable a story as that of St. Francis himself. Miss Day lives in the slums of New York City, poor herself and thus actually knowing the poverty of her neighbors by experience. Not only the great hardships of poverty but also its petty and disagreeable hardships are incidents of her daily life. Her choice of this life was voluntary, as was that of St. Francis. Everyone should have this book, most particularly Churchpeople interested in Christian social relations. Here they are found, completely in practice.

In the Steps of St. Francis. By Ernest Raymond. Illustrated. Kinsey, New York. Pp. 372. \$2.50.

THIS book is as good as the famous H. V. Morton books. It takes the reader to all the places where the feet of St. Francis trod, and tells all the stories, true and legendary, of the saint. The pictures are from photographs taken by the author while following this winding pathway.

The World's Great Religious Poetry. Compiled by Caroline Hill. Macmillan, New York. Pp. 836. \$1.69.

A NEW and inexpensive edition of a valuable book.

The Catholic Anthology. Edited by Thomas Walsh. Macmillan, New York. Pp. 552. \$1.69.

A NEW and inexpensive edition of another fine collection of religious verse.

SAUCE FOR SINNERS

THIS kind of person makes me fret:
A sexton who's a martinet.
He guards the church and parish hall
As if his hand had built it all;
And once his precious dusting's done
Won't let young folks have any fun.
This brute I should exterminate,
But patiently I wait and wait;
For he'll get trouble on his hands
When at the pearly gates he stands,
And greets St. Peter with a bow,
And says, "Thanks—I'll take over now!"

BUT:

I will admit it's difficult
To pardon the uncouth adult
Who in a public edifice
The opportunity can't miss
To carve initials on the doors,
And mark the walls, and scratch the floors.
At heart, it's very plain to see,
He's still an aborigine.
However, let us not despair,
For "turn about" is always fair;
Some day, if fate should take the whim,
The Church may leave her mark on him!

NOMDI PLOOM.

New Religious Books for Children

COMPARED with secular books, the religious books for children displayed at the Christmas season always seem very few. This is partly because they actually are fewer, but it is chiefly because religious books, unlike other juvenile books, are published at almost any time throughout the year, to meet the demands of church schools and other centers of religious education. At Christmas time, the new religious books for boys and girls are usually of five kinds: beautifully illustrated rendering of the Christmas story, new editions of famous old books, saints' legends, Bible stories, and distinctly Christmas books, often for younger children. Such is the case this year, with excellent examples of each sort of book. In addition, there are several good books which are outside the five categories.

The Christmas story comes in a lovely book this year: *The Ageless Story*, by Lauren Ford (Dodd, Mead, \$2.50). The story is told in the words of the Bible. This is followed by the twelve antiphons of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Holy Child in the original Latin, set to the ancient plainsong chants, the Solesmes versions being used. Opposite each antiphon page is a picture, beneath which is a translation of the antiphon. Thus, there are twelve openings, every one of remarkable beauty. The scenes, instead of being laid in Palestine or medieval Italy, are in the Connecticut hills and valleys. The Holy Family wear modern dress, the home at Nazareth is a New England house, the Temple at Jerusalem is a Bulfinch church, the stable is a Connecticut barn. The borders of the pages show present-day children, engaged in the familiar activities of childhood. Yet, the book is not modern; it is peculiarly medieval. And it must be said that some of the antiphons commemorate feasts found in no Anglican calendars except those of a few Anglo-Catholic parishes. Children will love the book.

The most striking new edition of a religious book issued in many years is *Pilgrim's Progress*, with the text retold and shortened for modern readers by Mary Godolphin, illustrated with marvelous pictures by Robert Lawson (Stokes, \$2.00). Of course, no retelling can be John Bunyan, as no tales from Shakespeare (even the Lambs') can be Shakespeare. But just as the immortal *Tales from Shakespeare* have led countless boys



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and girls to the plays themselves, so this tale from Bunyan will bring the children to *Pilgrim's Progress*. Joan Windham has written another of her delightful books of stories of saints: *Saints Who Spoke English* (Sheed & Ward, \$1.75). Children will

like it, as they have liked *Six o'Clock Saints*, *More Six o'Clock Saints* and *Saints by Request*. An exquisite book about an East Indian St. Francis, Kirpalu, is *The Happy Flute*, by Sant Ram Mandal (Stokes, \$1.50). This was edited by Dorothy Lathrop and is illustrated with some of Miss Lathrop's most beautiful

pictures of animals.

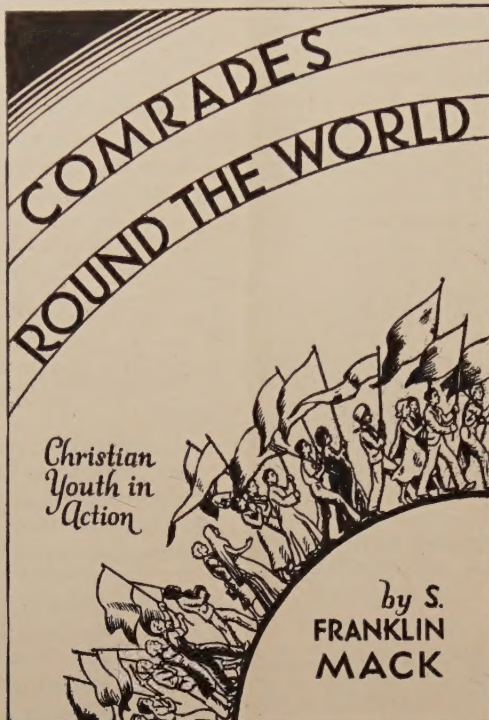
The leading Bible story book of the year is an English publication, fortunately available in this country. It is *Through the Bible*, by Theodora Wilson-Wilson, with colored pictures by C. E. and H. M. Brock and other illustrations by J. B. Ayto (Collins, \$2.00). The introduction, by James More, tells in simple language how the Bible came to us, this section of the book being illustrated with halftones of tablets, papyri, vellum manuscripts and finally, the title page of the Authorized Bible of 1611. The stories themselves are told in an interesting manner, information in regard to the customs of the times being skilfully interwoven with the incidents. A Bible story for younger children is *Old Testament Stories*, by Eulalie Osgood Grover, with illustrations by Beatrice Stevens (W. A. Wilde, \$1.00). A very small book which is excellent, is *Great Stories of the Bible*, by Eveleen Harrison (Textford Press, 40 cts.).

In a class quite by themselves are two books compiled by W. K. Lowther

Clarke: *The Story of the New Testament* (Macmillan, \$1.50) and *The Story of the Old Testament* (Macmillan, \$1.75). In each book the material is not merely abridged; it is freely rearranged, with a certain amount of commentary. Only a scholar of Dr. Lowther Clarke's attainments could do successfully a task so delicate. The books are illustrated with colored pictures and line drawings. Because of the war, only the first volume has yet reached America, but the second is expected in time for Christmas.

One book stands out, even from the other exceptional books: *Comrades Round the World*, by S. Franklin Mack (Friendship Press, \$1.00). The illustrations are from photographs by the author. The book is a vivid account of what the young people in many different countries are thinking about the Christian Church and how it can be transformed, in its daily life, into the blessed company of all faithful people which Christ intended it to be. Dr. Mack talked with young people of many lands. His book is an inspiring witness to the spiritual fervor of the youth of the world.

ANOTHER unusual book, in the form of a story, is *Christopher*, by Phyllis Graham (Macmillan, \$1.40). It tells how a boy learned, during the course of a visit in the home of a



FROM "COMRADES ROUND THE WORLD"



FROM "PILGRIM'S PROGRESS"

priest, not only how to serve at the Altar but also the meaning of Eucharistic ceremonial and doctrine.

Still another unusual book has a title that does not indicate its unique quality: *How Our Religion Began*, by Edna M. Baxter, with drawings by Edward F. Dugmore (Harpers, \$2.50). The author says in her foreword that the book is intended for "youth above the age of eleven." It is the story of the Old Testament, told in a manner that children will not only understand but also enjoy.

Another exceptional book is *A Child's Faith*, by Priscilla Pointer and Mary Gerard (McLoughlin, \$1.25). This is a large picture book, containing Bible stories, each one with a modern story applying the meaning to the child's daily life. In addition, there are prayers, relating to the customary incidents of a child's experience. The picture illustrates both the Bible stories and the modern tales. The book is intended for little children, and each selection is simple and very short.

Books issued especially for Christmas include several anthol-

ogies and books of stories. The stories are *A Christmas Story*, by Virginia Cole Pritchard, illustrated by Frances Hickey (Dutton, \$1.00); and *The New Carol*, by Joan Windham, illustrated by Jeanne Hebbelynck (Sheed & Ward, \$1.25). The tales of four carols are told in Miss Windham's charming book, and a number of others are quoted. The story of the other book is a beautiful retelling of the ancient legend of the gift of speech to all the creatures on Christmas Eve. The anthologies are *At Christmas Time the World Grows Young*, compiled by Amy Bruner Almy (Revell, \$1.50), which both young and old will welcome and cherish; and *Christmas is Coming*, edited by Manley H. Jones, illustrated by Charlotte Becker (Houghton Mifflin, \$1.00), which is a delightful book for younger children.

These are by no means all the new religious books for children. They are a selection of those most suitable for Christmas presents: because they are excellent and also attractive and, in addition, of permanent value.

Choking the Every Member Canvass

By the Rev. David R. Covell, L.H.D.

THIS is the time of the year when many seem to give away to murderous instincts and strangle the Every Member Canvass to death! It is possible to have personal interview with every member, because this is done on a larger and more difficult scale in community chest campaigns. It is possible to keep at it, until every card is signed or a definite, final statement of refusal or inability to sign has been secured. The new envelopes are not to be used until January anyway, so there is still time to complete the canvass instead of choking it by procrastinating, pigeon-holing the remaining unused cards, or simply quitting.

How many canvasses have been throttled by inattention so that last 25 or 10 per cent of the parishioners that were never personally seen! Like a basket ball team, that works hard to get the ball down to its basket, and then makes no effort to throw a goal. What great accomplishment could be reached by just a little more effort and stick-to-it-iveness. It is the difference between victory and defeat, success and failure, life-giving oxygen or a dying gasp.

Even the commercial money-raising drives and the community chest campaigns, in their ethical and important, though largely financial approach, see the thing through. The Every Member Canvass presents a program more vital and needed in the community, nation and world; its success is essential to the life of the parish during the coming year; it is the best agency we have for furnishing that necessary support not only of money, but also of conviction born of knowledge, volunteer service, and prayer! Then why choke it?

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again," is a good saying to apply to the canvass. In almost every parish are those who will do something more, if approached again, after the canvass is entirely done and every member has been interviewed. But do not try to use those persons' generosity, if your canvass has been a lazy or incomplete one, or if the budget has already been underwritten.

Members who are away during the canvass should be reached by mail, but only at the end of the canvass and with an account of it that will stimulate interest and support. These absent ones are apt to give more attention to letters and literature than those at home. Here is a real chance for the

canvass publicity committee. Even when the travelers return, it is well to have one of the more able canvassers see them. Moreover, some good canvassers should visit those who are newcomers to the parish since the last canvass. This means a visit that is far more than a commercial, money-asking one; but that should be true of every canvass call.

Too many parishes have with satisfaction tried sending monthly statements to necessitate argument for this plan. It is the generally accepted time plan and habit for fiscal matters. Tell what the books show to be the state of each pledge, thanking those paid up, asking those who seem to be behind whether your books are in error. If those in arrears let another month pass without action, a second such statement might seem like a dun. Let one or two members of the vestry this time call in person. That family may have had misfortune. They may just be careless. In either case, they need a friendly visit.

The spending of parish money is as important as the raising of it. Monthly, a detailed report should be given all the parishioners of exactly what money was received and exactly how spent. Monthly, all of the parishioners should be told of the parish program, its successes and failures. The more confidence the people have in the financial administration of the parish and the more interest there is aroused in the program, the better will be the support, financially and otherwise.

As soon as one canvass is ended, it should be evaluated, and a beginning made of plans for next year's canvass. That year-around educational cultivation of the people should be started immediately. Roll the stone away from the tomb of stewardship teaching. Let the church school and every parish organization have the facts of the Church's program regularly presented, glowing with spiritual vision and fervor. Seize every chance to have the parish represented at all diocesan meetings and activities.

Wise men of today, like those of old, lay at the feet of the Babe of Bethlehem their gold, frankincense and myrrh. That is just the action the Every Member Canvass tries to persuade our people to take; offering to God the firstfruits of money, worship, and life. Give the canvass a real chance to breathe and be healthy.

—From the Southern Ohio "Messenger."

BOOKS OF THE DAY

Edited by
Elizabeth McCracken

Eight Notable Little Books

IN RESPONSE to an evident need there have appeared within the last two years a number of notable little books by competent authors on devotional and doctrinal subjects. F. P. Harton, the author of the valuable *Elements of the Spiritual Life*, may well head the list with his *Faith that Abides* (Church Literature Association, 80 cts.), which gives a brief treatment of the doctrine of God, creation, and evil, with its remedy through the Incarnation. It might serve as subject for a private retreat, although not written for that purpose. *Life unto God* is a valuable book of meditations by E. R. A. Kermack (Macmillan, \$1.65). It is difficult to speak too highly of this material for mental prayer. *The Fruit of the Spirit* by Kenneth Mackenzie (Church Literature Association, 80 cts.) offers an exposition of Galatians 5: 22, 23, a chapter being devoted to each one of the fruits enumerated in the text. *The Secret of Christ* by Bishop Carey (Morehouse-Gorham, 60 cts.) shows what Christ does for souls that find their center in Him. *God's Adventure* by Fr. Andrew (Morehouse-Gorham, \$1.00), to quote the preface, records "impressions received in going to or coming from the act of sacrificial offering and sacramental communion." A work doctrinal rather than devotional in character entitled *He Came Down from Heaven* by Charles Williams (Heinemann, \$2.00) treats of the problems of sin, evil, pardon, and reconciliation with God. It is a suggestive study with a somewhat original approach. Peter Green in his *Devotional Use of the Bible* (Macmillan, 60 cts.) gives valuable advice for the encouragement of Bible-reading by lay people of today. *Christ and Fairies* by C. M. Chavasse (Macmillan, \$1.00) contains 10 sermons on the general thesis that the old familiar fairy-tales reveal the instinctive hunger and thirst of the human heart for the Presence of God. "They will teach us more of God than we would think possible."

It may be confidently stated that each one of these little books is well worth the modest sum at which it is priced.

MOTHER MARY MAUDE, CSM.

A Truly Catholic View of the Jewish Question

A CHRISTIAN LOOKS AT THE JEWISH QUESTION. By Jacques Maritain. Longmans Green. Pp. 90. \$1.00.

IN THIS small book, M. Maritain discusses the Jewish question and the problem of Anti-Semitism from a Catholic position. He follows the line taken by the late Pope, "spiritually we are Semites," and he urges that Christians can have no part or parcel in any movement which is so totally alien to the Spirit of Christ as anti-Semitism. A careful analysis of the present position of Jews in Europe, and a survey of certain problems which arise from the presence of such a closely knit racial and religious group in predominantly non-Jewish areas, completes the book. "Trust in love and truth alone" can solve our difficulties, he affirms; and he calls his fellow Roman Catholics to oppose persecution and hatred of their Jewish brethren, and to strive for growth in understanding and sympathy. M. Maritain once again shows that his Catholicism is *catholic* too; like his great work, *True Humanism*, this book manifests the genuinely ecumenical nature of his faith, and is in marked contrast with much that we see in the Roman Church. It is probably too much to hope that our ignorant, prejudiced, embittered Jew-baiters and Jew-haters will read this calm, yet impassioned, statement of "the rights of man."

W. NORMAN PITTENGER.

One of the Most Important Books of Recent Years

MAN IN REVOLT. By Emil Brunner. Charles Scribners'. Pp. 564. \$6.00.

THIS huge volume of Christian anthropology is quite clearly one of the most important books of recent years—and for two reasons. The first is that it is a *full-length* study of man, the sinner in revolt from his creative origin and goal. The second is that it shows a marked change in the position of one of our outstanding theologians, and a change in the direction of central traditional Christianity.

Dr. Brunner can no longer be called a disciple of the Barthian

school. He has struck out on his own line, and it is a line which is bringing him very close to writers like M. Maritain and Dr. Temple. Of course there is still the Reformation spirit about the man and his book; still he speaks of "Biblical theology" when we might say "Catholic theology"; still he dislikes a great deal of traditional, and especially medieval Catholic thought, particularly in St. Thomas Aquinas—and yet he asserts such sound doctrine as the utter responsibility of man before God even when a sinner, which indicates for Brunner man's knowledge of God apart from Christ; he maintains the vital significance of the Church and the Christian tradition; he speaks out for the Sacraments, even though he dislikes certain aspects of Catholic doctrine of the Sacraments.

Adequately to review this big book would require pages of comment and criticism. It must suffice to say that with whatever modifications one may wish to make, here is a first-class book, and one which ought to be read by the clergy who wish to preach to our condition—to men "in revolt" from God, who yet know God, are responsible before Him, and must be convinced of their selfishness and sinfulness before they can be brought into that integrated life of fellowship which flows from right relations with God.

W. NORMAN PITTENGER.

A Town Both Southern and Western

THE BIOGRAPHY OF A RIVER TOWN: Memphis: Its Heroic Age. By Gerald M. Capers, Jr. University of North Carolina Press. \$3.50.

IN HIS foreword Dr. Capers remarks that the cardinal sin of American historians has been the neglect of local history. While sympathizing with this thought, because it is based on the contention that the history of the United States has been written from the top down, and that now it must be written from the bottom up, I also fully believe that the average modern American history fails in that it neglects to give much if any attention to religious and spiritual phases. In this otherwise excellent work there are just two pages devoted to the churches of Memphis.

Memphis' reaction to the Civil war, its shifts and changes under repeated scourges of yellow fever, its emergence as a modern city—all this is told from the point of view that an "adequate biography of any of our key cities . . . would be more significant to the national epic than the biography of even so prominent a figure as Theodore Roosevelt." This biography of a river town is significant to the national epic because the town, in its origins, its growth, its social, civic, and industrial life has been closely related to its region and to the movements of national life. "On the eve of the war," says the author, "Memphis was both a Southern and a Western town. Cotton, railroads, and the Negro bound it to the South; the Mississippi river and primitive industries bound it to the West; and it attained commercial fame because nature had made it the logical depot for the distribution of upper Western produce to Southern planters."

There is now a series of books on American rivers and this volume would seem to forecast a series on river towns, which would include a great majority of American cities.

CLINTON ROGERS WOODRUFF.

An Exposition of the Dialogues of the Gospels

THE CONVERSATIONS OF JESUS. By Frederick Keller Stamm. Harpers. \$2.50.

AS OF books on the parables, miracles, and discourses there is an abundance, Dr. Stamm chooses the dialogue section in the Gospels for expository treatment. His style is that of the accomplished "popular" preacher—using the adjective in its best sense—short pithy sentences, crisp unexpected illustrations and an abundance of quotations, relating constantly the material to the problems of today. Sometimes, no doubt, the problems of today are discovered rather too precisely in the Gospel language. Nicodemus, for instance, did not say to Christ, "You have a winsome personality." But for the most part the direct simplicity of the dialogues is admirably suited to Dr. Stamm's method and his method admirably suited to the dialogues.

B. S. E.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Milo H. Gates of N. Y. Cathedral Dies

Had Been Ill Two Years But Had
Been Able to Preach Until One
Month Ago

NEW YORK—The Very Rev. Dr. Milo Hudson Gates, dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine here, died on November 27th, in his 74th year. For the past two years he had been in poor health, but he had been able to officiate and preach until within a month of his death.

Milo Hudson Gates was born in Gardner, Mass., on June 29, 1866, the son of Samuel Gerry and Eliza Ray Gates. He was graduated from Amherst college in 1886 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and from General theological seminary in 1889.

In 1910 he received two honorary degrees, that of Doctor of Divinity from the University of the South and Doctor of Sacred Theology from St. Stephen's college. Amherst college conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon him in 1929 and Columbia university that of Doctor of Sacred Theology in 1930. He also received the honorary degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology from the General theological seminary. He was made deacon in 1889 and advanced to the priesthood in 1890.

From 1889 to 1892 he was assistant rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York. From 1892 to 1899 he was rector of the Church of the Ascension, Ipswich, Mass.; and from 1899 to 1904, rector St. Stephen's church, Cohasset, Mass.

From 1904 to 1907 he served as rector of the Church of the Intercession, New York. In 1907, when the Intercession became a chapel of Trinity parish, he continued as vicar, remaining until 1930, when he became dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

WOULD HAVE BEEN DEAN TEN YEARS

Had he lived until January 1st, he would have been dean of the cathedral for ten years. For many years, from 1907 to 1929, he was warden of the New York training school for deaconesses, and a trustee of the General theological seminary, Berkeley divinity school, and Columbia university. He had had numerous calls to other important offices but declined. In 1920 he was called to be dean of St. John's cathedral, Denver, Colo. In 1913 he was elected missionary Bishop of Cuba.

On other important occasions he was a candidate for high positions but declared that he preferred to withdraw his name. Several times he was a deputy to the General Convention and served on various joint commissions. Among these were the

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BISHOP MCCORMICK

Bishop McCormick Dies at 76 Years

Death Strikes as Retired Diocesan
is Preparing to Leave for Grace
Church in Grand Rapids, Mich.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Newton McCormick, second Bishop of Western Michigan, died here of a heart attack on November 26th. He was preparing to go to Grace church to celebrate eight o'clock Holy Communion when he was overcome. The Bishop had also planned to preach at the 11 o'clock service in the absence of the Rev. Donald V. Carey, the rector. He was 76 years old.

John Newton McCormick was born in Richmond, Va., on February 1, 1863, and was educated at Randolph-Macon college. In 1883 he was graduated. The following year he was ordained a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In 1886 he began graduate work at Johns Hopkins university, and in 1893 he was ordained deacon in the Episcopal Church. He was ordained priest by Bishop Randolph in 1894.

From 1893 to 1895 he served as minister in charge and rector of St. Paul's, Suffolk, Va. The next three years he spent at St. Luke's, Atlanta, Ga. He was called to St. Mark's here in 1897.

While rector of St. Mark's he served in numerous civic capacities. He was named a member of the original planning commission and the morals and efficiency commission of the diocese. In 1908 Governor Chase S. Osborn made him a member of the state board of corrections and charities. He served the state in this capacity until 1920.

Eight years after coming to St. Mark's, he was elected Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan on the first ballot. Upon the death of Bishop Gillespie, Dr. McCormick took over the leadership of the diocese. He continued alone in his work until January, 1936, when he asked for a Coadjutor. He continued his work with his assistant, Bishop Whittemore, until his retirement in 1937.

OVERSEAS IN WORLD WAR

Bishop McCormick went overseas in 1917 to take charge of the war commission work of the Church. At the request of General Pershing, he worked with the Red Cross and was placed in charge of all chaplains in the hospital service. He also worked with the late Bishop Brent of Western New York in organizing a definite chaplains' service.

Bishop McCormick returned to his diocese in July, 1918. He remained only a short time and then returned to Europe to serve with the 1st and 2d divisions of the army of occupation. After the war he continued until 1927 to hold the rank of

Dr. Bell Declines Call to Become Chicago Canon

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—The Rev. Dr. Bernard Iddings Bell, formerly canon of the cathedral here, has declined a call to St. Luke's pro-cathedral, Evanston; in the diocese of Chicago. The call was extended to him by Bishop Stewart of Chicago and the vestry of the pro-cathedral. He was to become a preaching canon and director of religious education there.

For the present Dr. Bell will continue his intensive study of adult religious education, for he hopes soon to publish a book in this field. It will develop a technique of teaching missions, incidental to this study.

Between now and Easter Dr. Bell will conduct six such missions—at St. James', Philadelphia; St. Michael's, Charleston, S. C.; St. Mary's, Daytona Beach, Fla.; All Saints', Winter Park, Fla.; the Church of the Redeemer, Chicago; and, during Holy Week, All Saints' church, Worcester, Mass. He will also, between now and June, preach in nine universities and schools.

Pension Plan for Laymen is Adopted by Canadians

WINNIPEG, CAN. (RNS)—A pension plan for lay workers in the Anglican Church in Canada was adopted here by the executive council of the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada.

According to the plan any person employed by the Church, other than a person in holy orders, must contribute 5% of his salary toward the setting up of the plan. The church must contribute another 5%.

The retirement age for women was put at 50, and for men at 60. Organists, vergers and ministers' secretaries would be among those eligible.



NEW CHAPEL, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, KEARNEY, NEBR.

Bishop Beecher of Western Nebraska recently dedicated the Chapel of the Good Shepherd at St. Luke's, Kearney, in memory of the Rev. Robert W. Oliver, rector of the parish from 1884 to 1889.

When the present rector, the Rev. Jerome L. Fritsche, came to the parish three years ago, he conceived the idea how he might embellish and renovate this chapel, which had been used as a church school room. Dr. Fritsche began much of the manual labor of restoring altar, floors, and woodwork. No member of the parish was solicited for financial or other assistance, as all gifts came from the givers' own free will and accord. The chapel, complete in every detail, is considered one of the most beautiful in the state.

lieutenant colonel in the organized reserves.

In 1923 Bishop McCormick was appointed Bishop in charge of American churches in Europe.

While he was engaged in his Church duties, he still found time for writing. Some of his books are *Distinctive Marks of the Episcopal Church*, *The Litany and the Life*, *Pain and Sympathy*, *Good News from a Far Country*, and an autobiographical volume, *A Small Part*.

Bishop McCormick was especially interested in developing closer relationships between the Episcopal Church and other bodies. In 1925 he visited the Near East and made many contacts with members of the Greek Orthodox Church.

Bishop McCormick's wife, Bessie Tucker McCormick, died in September, 1938. His son, the Rev. John Brian McCormick, died in France with the 15th field artillery. Three sons and one daughter survive.

Archdeacon to New Post

CHICAGO—The Ven. Dr. Frederick G. Deis, archdeacon of Chicago, was recently chosen executive secretary of the diocese of Texas. He will assume his new duties on December 1st.

Conference on Ministry to Meet at St. Paul's School, Concord

CONCORD, N. H.—A conference on the ministry will be held January 5th to 7th at St. Paul's school here, under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Norman Nash, new headmaster of St. Paul's. The conference will be similar to those held under Dr. Drury here.

Speakers at the conference will be Bishop Dallas, Dr. Nash, the Rev. Arthur L. Kinsolving, the Rev. C. Leslie Glenn, the Rev. Dr. Grant Noble, the Rev. Truman Heminway, and the Rev. Jesse Trotter.

Plans for Speakers' Bureau Formed by WNY Woman's Auxiliary

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Plans for the organization of a speakers' bureau by the educational committee of the Woman's Auxiliary of Western New York were formulated recently at a meeting of educational secretaries of many parish dioceses.

Speakers from the bureau will act as leaders of study groups, present talks on Church problems, and give book reviews. Organization of the bureau is in the hands of a committee headed by Mrs. William Thomas Heath.

Bishop Manning is Speaker on Radio

Says Church Must Stand Fearlessly
Definitely, Uncompromisingly for
Reality of Supernatural

NEW YORK—At a time when "the Christian religion and all that it stands for is being challenged and threatened in this world, as it has never been before in its history," Bishop Manning of New York, in a radio address delivered on November 26th, declared that "the Church must stand fearlessly, definitely, uncompromisingly for the reality and the truth, and the glory, of the supernatural."

"This is no time," Bishop Manning said "for mere abstract, academic discussion about religion, and it is no time for rationalizing or minimizing the truth of the Gospel. The Church must bring men and women face to face with God."

In his address, one of a series of educational messages intended specifically for members of the Episcopal Church, Bishop Manning emphasized that "if the world is to be saved, and the people in it, there must be an awakening to the reality, and the power, and the rule of the Living God; the realization that God is over all of us; that His law is supreme and inescapable; that as individuals or as nations, if we defy Him, we perish. It is this, which all rulers and all Governments and all people everywhere, need to have brought home to them. And it is this which the Church is sent to proclaim to all the world."

POWER OF LEADERSHIP

Bishop Manning chose as his topic, *A Church with the Power of Leadership*, and said that if the Christian Church is to have such power, the power to bring men and women to God, it must believe its own Divine mission and commission.

"The Church must come to men," he said "with a message from heaven, and one which men will recognize as such. The Church must come to men not merely as a human agency but as a Divine agency speaking to them and ministering to them in the name of Him who is the Head of the Church, and who says to us, 'All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth . . . therefore, Go ye . . . ' We must realize more fully the Divine nature and mission of the Church as the New Testament shows it to us, the Church founded by Christ Himself to be the means of His continued work in this world and the pledged sphere of His Presence with us.

"In the power of the Christian Gospel the Church can lead the world to God."

New Reredos in Concord, N. H.

CONCORD, N. H.—A new reredos, carved entirely of wood, now serves as the background for the altar in St. Paul's church here. The reredos was given by Mrs. Burn P. Hodgman in memory of her husband. It was consecrated November 19th. The Rev. Bernard N. Lovgren is rector of St. Paul's.

Dr. L. Sunderland Dies in New York

Head of City Mission Society Was
Known Throughout Church for
His Work With Unfortunates

NEW YORK—The Rev. Dr. Leslie Ernest Sunderland died in St. Luke's hospital here on November 11st, in his 58th year. He had been superintendent of the City Mission Society for the past 20 years and was one of the most widely known and best loved of the clergy of the diocese of New York.

When informed of Dr. Sunderland's death, Bishop Manning of New York said:

"The death of Dr. Sunderland is a great loss to the diocese and to the Church, and also to the community. In the great work of the City Mission Society, of which he was in charge for 20 years, he ministered to people of every sort, and especially to those in suffering and distress and in need. Dr. Sunderland's devotion to this work and his unflinching faithfulness in meeting its responsibilities have been an example to all who knew him. It will long be remembered."

Leslie Ernest Sunderland was born in DeKalb, Ill., in January, 1882, the son of Leslie Ernest and Anna Julia Stowell Sunderland. He was graduated from Middlebury college in 1904, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In 1907 he was graduated from Bexley Hall, and in 1909 received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from the University of Chicago.

SERVED IN CLEVELAND

He was made deacon in 1907 and advanced to the priesthood in 1908. In 1910 he was married to Miss Ella E. Holbrook. From 1908 to 1910 he was assistant at Trinity cathedral, Cleveland, and priest in charge of St. Mary's church, Cleveland. From 1910 to 1912 he was rector of St. Mary's church, and from 1910 to 1919 superintendent of the City Mission of Cleveland. From 1913 to 1919 he was also chairman of the Social Service Commission of the diocese of Ohio, and during the year 1918 a member of the board of missions of that diocese.

In 1919 Dr. Sunderland came to New York as superintendent of the City Mission Society, the position he held until his death.

MANY AT FUNERAL

Funeral services were held in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on November 24th. Bishop Manning officiated. More than 1,500 persons attended the service. Hundreds of others visited the cathedral on Thursday, when Dr. Sunderland's body lay in state. All sorts and conditions of men were represented, including many who helped to support the City Mission Society, many who had been aided through it, social workers of the city, and the many friends and co-workers of Dr. Sunderland.

In the procession were the clergy of the diocese of New York and the honorary pall bearers: Colonel George W. Burleigh, Dr. Stephen F. Bayne, Dr. John B. Walker, Ira Barrows, Sanford H. Lane, Charles W. Ogden, Herbert E. Twyeffort,



DR. SUNDERLAND

C. Peabody Mohun, and Thomas S. McLane.

Interment was in the family lot in Cornwall, Vt.

Dr. Sunderland is survived by his widow; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas P. Simpson and Miss Elizabeth Sunderland; his mother, Mrs. William Harrison Bingham; a brother, Edwin S. S. Sunderland; three half-brothers, Eugene C. Bingham, Maruice A. Bingham, and Lucien W. Bingham; and a half-sister, Mrs. William J. Ballou.

1,918 Young People in Colleges of CNY Register as Episcopalians

UTICA, N. Y.—Nineteen hundred eighteen young people, attending colleges and universities within the diocese of Central New York, have registered this fall as members of the Episcopal Church, according to a survey made by the Rev. Samuel F. Burhans, student pastor at Colgate university.

Through its department of Christian education, the council of the diocese makes provision for the spiritual care of these young Church members by appointing the local clergy as student pastors and appropriating from diocesan funds for student entertainment.



BISHOP HUNTINGTON

The veteran Bishop of Anking is shown in the above picture with Mrs. Huntington and Bishop Tsen of Honan, one of his former school boys.

Bishop Huntington's Resignation Received

71-Year-Old Missionary Has Spent
44 Years in Service of China;
Gives Age as Reason for Action

NEW YORK—The resignation of the Rt. Rev. Daniel Trumbull Huntington as missionary Bishop of Anking, China, has been received by the Presiding Bishop. Bishop Huntington has given age as his reason for wishing to retire. Much travel is required in his diocese, and he feels that at 71 he cannot accomplish this.

If accepted, Bishop Huntington's resignation, will take effect when General Convention meets in Kansas City this spring.

Bishop Huntington only recently completed 44 years of service in missionary work in China. Much of the time he has had only one foreign priest on his staff, though at present he has two.

His group of 30 Chinese clergy is said to include some of the finest in the Chinese Church; and in the person of the Rt. Rev. Lindel Tsen, Bishop of Honan, Bishop Huntington contributed one of his former Anking school boys to the Chinese House of Bishops.

Born in Norwich, Conn., in 1868, Daniel Trumbull Huntington is a member of an old Connecticut family. He spent his early years in Hartford.

ATTENDED YALE

He entered Yale college from the Hartford school, and, graduating in 1892, entered Berkeley divinity school. In 1895 he was ordained to the diaconate and went at once to China, the country which has since claimed his uninterrupted service.

For 17 years Bishop Huntington engaged in general missionary work in the Hankow diocese. The period was characterized by vigorous activities which resulted in the opening of churches and schools by the young priest.

In 1910 when the present missionary district of Anking was organized, he became its first Bishop. This was shortly after the upheavals of the 1911 revolution. Since then, the Bishop has taken his diocese through wars, famines, and floods, together with "anti" demonstrations of various sorts. He has also seen in China, in recent years, the remarkable development and growth toward strength and unity in China.

Elects Associate Secretary

NEW YORK (RNS)—The Rev. Roswell P. Barnes was elected associate general secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at a recent meeting of the council's executive committee here.

Mr. Barnes, formerly associate secretary of the council's department of international justice and goodwill, will share in the responsibilities of general administration under the present general secretary, Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert.

Bishop Wing and Bishop Juhan at Daughters of King Meeting

TAMPA, FLA.—Bishop Wing was celebrant at the opening service of the Daughters of the King, province of Sewanee meeting, which was held in St. Andrew's church here on November 14th. Bishop Juhan delivered the address.

Twenty-four members of the local chapter were present. All provincial officers were reelected. The 1941 meeting is to be held in Charleston, S. C., it was decided.

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Union Services Are Popular in Chicago

Bishop Stewart Addresses Large Congregation in Presbyterian Church on Thanksgiving

CHICAGO—Wide participation in union services was a feature of the Thanksgiving day celebration among Episcopal churches in Chicago. Many local clergy and congregations joined with churches of other denominations in a great outpouring of worshippers.

One of the largest services was held at Fourth Presbyterian church. Bishop Stewart of Chicago was the speaker. This service brought together the people of St. James' and St. Chrysostom's Episcopal churches, the New England Congregational church, and the host church.

In his address, Bishop Stewart declared that the one point which is troubling many Christians in these times is how to thank God when war is once more threatening to engulf the world.

"The primary reply is clear," he said. "God, who is sovereign ruler of the world, has created man—not a robot, but a free man, and freedom means responsibility. It is not God's will that there should be war—it is man's willfulness and unskillfulness, man's stupidity and cupidity that wills it."

LAW OF RETRIBUTION

"The law of retribution is as sure in the moral universe as it is in the physical universe, and when nations will not to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God, but to do unjustly, to love naked force, and to strut proudly on their own way, they bring upon the race inevitable disaster."

"But have we not something great to thank God for, even in this hour? I believe we have. War is slowly, but I think inevitably, defeating itself and devouring itself. Its instruments, aggressive and defensive, are canceling out. A Maginot line stalemates a Siegfried line; anti-aircraft guns are bombing out the bombers; depth bombs are canceling submarines; tank obstructions are canceling tanks; mechanism meets mechanism in an impasse."

"War is swiftly approaching outlawry, not by one people but by all people. You question this? You say the League of Nations is a failure, and the World Court, and Mr. Wilson's treaty, and the Kellogg-Briand pact, and attempted conferences on lessened armament—all failures?"

FULLBACK IS EXAMPLE

"Well, have you watched a fullback with the ball making for the line of scrimmage? The tackle hits him, but he swings aside and goes on; another reaches for him, he changes his pace and goes on. He reaches and passes the line of scrimmage, but he does not make his first down. He is thrown out of bounds."

"Now what happened? Were all these tackles failures? They were not. They slowed him down. So it is with the League of Nations, the World Court, the Kellogg-Briand pact and the pleas of Belgium and Holland and President Roosevelt and the Pope. All served to slow up war, while public opinion is being massed against it. Thank God, even business is turning against it."



ST. ANDREW'S, NEW BERLIN, N. Y.

Dedicate Memorial Chapel on 125th Anniversary of New Berlin, N. Y., Church

UTICA, N. Y.—Commemorating the 125th anniversary of the parish, a new memorial chapel was dedicated at St. Andrew's church, New Berlin, on October 29th. The Rev. Nelson F. Parke, rector, assisted Bishop Peabody, Coadjutor of Central New York, at the service.

Founded in 1814 through the efforts of the Rev. Daniel Nash, a pioneer missionary whose labors in the western part of New York state paved the way for the formation of Western New York as a separate diocese (in 1838), the first church in New Berlin was constructed within two years of the parish incorporation and was consecrated by Bishop Hobart in September 1816.

In the articles of incorporation it was agreed that "we will endeavor to suppress immorality of conduct and cause the Lord's day to be observed by our families in the sober, direct manner prescribed by the Head of the Church."

Seats in church were sold annually by auction, at bids ranging from \$3.00 to \$25.00, until 1843 when the vestry voted "that all seats shall be free and open to all attendants."

The present stone church, of Gothic architecture was completed in 1848. The parish house, of similar architecture, was constructed in 1910, and the stone rector in 1924.

The new memorial chapel, given by parishioners and other members of the community, is completely furnished by memorials.

Poster Contest is Used to Stir up Interest in Advent Offering

DETROIT—Endeavoring to stimulate interest and exploit the educational possibilities of the Bishop's Advent offering in the church schools, the church school service program committee of Michigan is sponsoring a poster contest.

The winning poster from each school will be exhibited in a poster display at the annual diocesan convention in January. Miss Loretta G. Sanders of St. Paul cathedral here is head of the committee in charge of the contest.

New York Affected by 2 Thanksgivings

Power Visitors Come to Metropolis
from New England Where Nov.
30th is the Day

NEW YORK—This state chose November 23d as its official Thanksgiving day. Because of the fact that all New England states selected November 23d as their Thanksgiving day, there were power visitors from New England than usual in New York churches; services were attended mostly by regular members of the parishes, but in larger numbers than usual.

The note of most of the sermons of the day was gratitude for the peace of this nation and sympathy for all those suffering anywhere from war.

Dinners were provided for those who would otherwise have had no special cheer of this sort. At the Seamen's Church Institute there was a very large number of guests at the Thanksgiving day dinner: 500 as compared with from 200 to 300 in other years.

The disturbed condition of shipping has kept many seamen without work. The City Mission Society, notwithstanding the sorrow of its members were feeling because of the death of Dr. E. Ernest Sunderland, its superintendent, only two days before, ministered as usual to the sick and distressed in hospitals and institutions. They saw to it that all who looked to the City Mission Society for good cheer received it.

Court Upholds Rights of Aliens; Plea of Church Group Answered

TORONTO, CAN. (RNS)—The plea of various Church bodies and leaders in Canada, that all so called enemy aliens should be accorded full citizens' rights so long as they are living peacefully in the community, was given official sanction and backing in a decision handed down here by the Osgoode Hall law court.

The decision read, "All enemy aliens, so long as they peacefully pursue their ordinary vocations, shall be allowed to enjoy the protection of the law and shall be accorded the respect and consideration due to peaceful and law-abiding citizens."

The matter came up through an action in the courts brought by a woman from Austria who had married a German citizen and whose application for naturalization was pending in the Ontario courts.

Correction

In reporting the decision of the US circuit court of appeals on the legal right of public school children to refuse to salute the flag when that act involves a violation of their religious convictions, THE LIVING CHURCH stated erroneously [page 22, November 22d] that two of the judges of the court, Judge Clark and Judge Biggs, were Episcopalians. Neither is a member of the Episcopal Church.

New President Elected by Board for Conferences at Sweet Briar

WASHINGTON—The governing board of the advanced conference of the province of Washington, known as the Sweet Briar conference, held its semi-annual meeting in St. John's parish house here on November 16th. The board accepted the resignation of Bishop Strider of West Virginia as president and elected Bishop Phillips of Southwestern Virginia to replace him.

Dates for next year's conference were set for July 1st to July 12th. The Rev. Leicester C. Lewis, chairman of the program committee, told of the progress that committee had made.

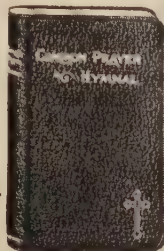
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Providence Church Marks 100th Year

St. Stephen's Makes Elaborate
Alterations in Fabric Before
Observing Centennial

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—St. Stephen's church, which for the last three generations has been a familiar sight to Providence residents, recently completed the celebration of its centennial.

Elaborate alterations were made in the fabric of St. Stephen's church within the last few months. The sanctuary and the choir were enlarged and redecorated. The nave and the lady chapel were repainted. New indirect lighting was installed. The organ was repaired and improved, and the pews and other woodwork were repainted.

The cost of repairs, inside and outside the church building, amounted to \$16,000.

Bishop Ivins of Milwaukee pontificated at the service on the Feast of Christ the King, and the Rev. Frederic S. Fleming of Trinity church, New York, preached. A parish luncheon, held after the Mass, was attended by over 400 communicants.

Colonel Anthony Dyer, junior warden of the parish, spoke, as did Bishop Ivins. Fr. Alan Whittemore, superior of the Order of the Holy Cross, preached at High Mass on the Sunday in the Octave of All Saints. He led a conference for the St. Stephen's society, a guild of college men and women.

Bishop Perry brought the celebration of the centennial to an end on November 12th with a Pontifical Mass. He preached on The Future.

For the past century St. Stephen's church has been noted for its activity in the Catholic revival. The church was founded in 1839 by the Rev. Francis Vonton, and has had a brilliant list of rectors. Among these



"PROVIDENCE MADONNA"

Shown above is the widely known Altar piece of St. Stephen's, Providence.

former rectors are included the Rev. Dr. Henry Waterman, the Rev. Messrs. George Leeds, James Eames, James Colwell, George McClellan Fisk, Frederic S. Penfold. The Rev. Charles Townsend, rector now.

Since Christmas, 1886, the holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered daily. Public recitation of the daily office has been held since 1885. And the Blessed Sacrament, under faculty of the late Bishop Clark of Rhode Island, has been reserved since 1896.

Hold 3d Annual College Student Conference in Greensboro, N. C.

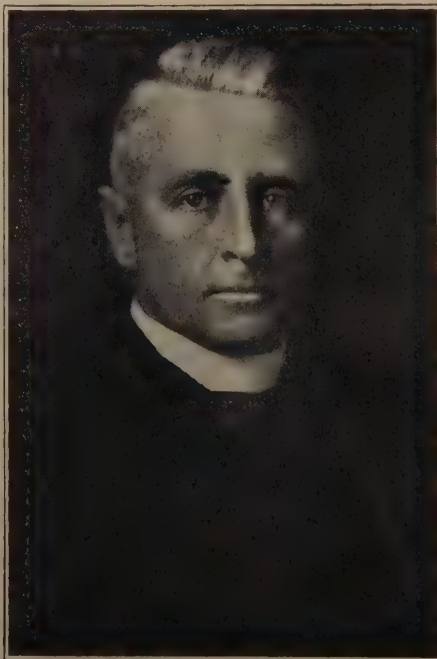
GREENSBORO, N. C.—The third annual conference of Episcopal college students in the diocese of North Carolina was held November 10th to 12th at St. Mary's house, Greensboro. The subject for the conference was The Christian Student. The Rev. M. George Henry, rector of Calvary Church, Tarboro, was the leader.

The conference divided into six groups for discussions. Each of these was led by a student, with a clergyman sitting in as an advisor.

At the conference banquet, the chief address was made by Bishop Penick of North Carolina. The Bishop pointed out that young people should be "living on tip-toes looking expectantly into the future where, as the Church reaches her years of maturity, she will come into her own."

Misses Lindley and Marsten in Arizona

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Miss Grace Lindley and Miss Margaret I. Marsten visited with the Woman's Auxiliary here November 16th and 17th. Representatives of nearly all parishes and missions in the district attended the meetings of the Auxiliary. Miss Marsten showed films taken during her recent trip to the Orient.



REV. CHARLES TOWNSEND

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NEW YORK—Packages of books accumulated by the Church Periodical Club of the diocese of New York were sent to 14 dioceses and missionary districts in the United States, and to the Philippines, Liberia, Canada, Japan and India according to a late report.

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Bishop Tucker Speaks at Cathedral Mission Dinner

BOSTON—The Presiding Bishop was the chief speaker on November 21st in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul here when the mission dinner packed the cathedral to its utmost. Canon Cornelius P. Crowbridge introduced Bishop Sherrill of Massachusetts who presided and, in turn, presented the Most Rev. Henry St. George Tucker.

A higher moral level in the United States was called for by Bishop Tucker, who said: "It is the weakness of Christianity in America that is a great handicap and difficulty in missionary work in the foreign field." He extolled the headway made by consecrated missionaries through the example set by their own Christian lives, in spite of the contrary examples of governments supposedly Christian, from the time of the opium war to the present day.

"The great nations of Asia are where we must focus our attention," said Bishop Tucker, "because they are going to play an all-important part in the future of the world."

Missionary education received a strong impetus by this affair, one in an annual series sponsored by the cathedral, and worked on by 12 cathedral organizations. Supported by months of preliminary study, the concurrent exhibitions in the cathedral library and the careful table decorations were examples of visual education.

Three Laymen Are Chosen to Speak at Trinity Church During Advent

NEW YORK—In arranging for the seventh series of Advent talks at Trinity Church by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Frederic Fleming, a departure from custom has been made by inviting three prominent laymen to assist the rector in the schedule of 15 noon-day addresses in the three weeks of the advent season. The subject for this year is *The Christian Faces His World*. Addresses will be given by Spencer Miller Jr., of the National Council; William Lyon Phelps of Yale university; and Roxie N. Fairchild of Columbia university. Dr. Fleming will give the concluding addresses.

A similar series will be given at St. Paul's chapel. The subject there is *The Destiny of Man and His World*.

Enthroned Dr. Fisher as Bishop of London

Many Gather to Witness Ceremony, Despite "Evacuation to Safe Zones" and Other Difficulties

(Passed by British Censor)

LONDON—The various religious and legal ceremonies which have to be performed before a bishop can take official possession of his see came to an end in the case of the Rt. Rev. Dr. G. F. Fisher, formerly Bishop of Chester, when he was enthroned in St. Paul's cathedral, London, on the morning of November 3d.

Despite the difficulties of transport and the evacuation of a large number of Londoners to "safe" zones, there was a very large congregation to witness the ceremony and hear the new Bishop celebrate the Eucharist in his resonant voice.

A few hours later Dr. Fisher delivered his first presidential address to the London diocesan conference, meeting in Westminster. He paid a moving tribute to his predecessor, Dr. Winnington-Ingram.

"I have to succeed," he said, "a Bishop who was unique, not only, as he often said, in his perennial youth, but also in that combination of personal charm and burning love and faith which made all whom he met, even for a few minutes, his lifelong captives."

"He first captivated me 38 years ago when I was a small boy at Marlborough, and he came to pay his first visit as Bishop of London. He has so endeared himself to London, and indeed, to the empire, that the Bishop of London has ceased to be an official title, and has become for all of us a personal designation of that one man who loves everyone and whom everyone loves."

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If we will but make this Christmas OUR LORD'S celebration and not our own, what a joy it will be to Him! It is about time He had some joy from us, don't you think?

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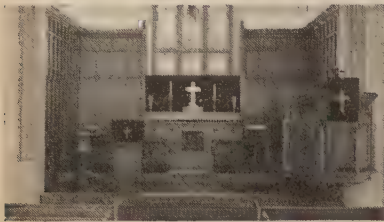
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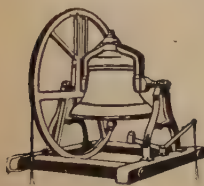
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Dr. D. A. McGregor Lauds Willingness of Leaders to Serve Coöperating Centers

NEW YORK—"The willingness of educational leaders to serve on the parish and diocesan committees for coöperating educational centers," said the Rev. Dr. D. A. McGregor, executive of the National Council's Department of Christian Education, "is one of the most valuable contributions which this enterprise is making to Church life."

Among those already serving on such committees, Dr. McGregor states, are a superintendent of city schools, two supervisors of education (one city, one county), the music supervisor of a large city school system, two high school principals, nine high school teachers, three principals of elementary schools, eight grade school teachers, two heads of private schools, four who teach in private schools committed to progressive educational methods, two supervisors of educational projects under the WPA, three members of college faculties, four who serve on city or county boards of education, and a museum curator who is also a professor of anthropology.

"Parish leaders," Dr. McGregor urged, "need to take counsel with those who are experienced in guiding growth and providing materials and methods that produce satisfactory developmental results."

Eight of the cooperating centers have been added to those previously organized, and according to Dr. McGregor, "in every case the centers are reaching out beyond the conventional activities of a church school and are seeking to develop parish programs that will provide recognition for every person in the parish."

Americans Asked to "Go on War Time Rations" for Seven Days

NEW YORK (RNS)—An appeal to Americans to "go on war time rations" during International Golden Rule week, sponsored annually by the Golden Rule Foundation and scheduled to be observed December 10th to 17th this year, was issued here by Charles V. Vickrey, president of the organization.

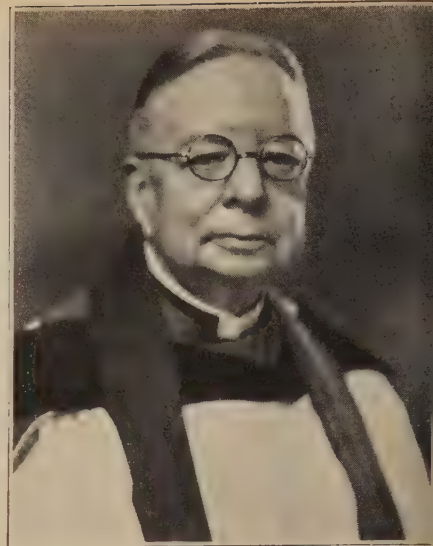
Mr. Vickrey urged that savings effected in this manner be applied to help meet "emergency requirements of innocent victims of wars in other lands, and to the relief of poor and needy people in the United States."

Mark 100th Year

QUINCY, FLA.—St. Paul's mission, Quincy, marked its 100th anniversary November 5th. Bishop Juhan of Florida took part in the morning and evening services. The Rev. Edward M. Claytor is priest in charge.

New Parish House in Globe, Ariz.

GLOBE, ARIZ.—St. John's church here dedicated its new parish house on November 16th. The new building has an auditorium, stage, kitchen, and classrooms.



DEAN GATES
(Wide World Studio Photo.)

Dr. Milo Gates of N. Y. Cathedral Dies

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Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts, of which he was secretary at the time of his death; the Standing Liturgical Commission; the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer, and the Joint Commission for the Translation and Publication of the Prayer Book in French.

Dean Gates took a special interest in architecture and in Church music and liturgies. He was an authority on the Mozarabic Liturgy and on Gothic architecture. It was while he was vicar of the Chapel of the Intercession that the present building was erected, the architect being the late Bertram Goodhue. Ralph Adams Cram said of this chapel that it was the most beautiful church building in America and one of the loveliest in the world.

Dean Gates had two subjects about which he preached almost every season. One was the sanctity of the marriage vow, which he so interpreted that he thought wrong for any person, divorced for any reason whatever, to remarry. He himself never performed the ceremony for even the innocent party in an adultery case, even though the canon permits this.

His other special subject was the Apocrapha. On the Second Sunday in Advent, every year, he preached on the Whole Bible, referring to any copy of the Bible as mutilated if it did not contain the Apocrapha.

Dean Gates was married in 1892 to Miss Pauline Gavitt of New York. He survived by Mrs. Gates, and by three nephews, Samuel Gates, the Rev. Francis H. Smith, and Arthur Powers.

Funeral services were held in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on November 30th, Bishop Manning of New York officiating. In the procession were the clergy of the diocese of New York, the trustees of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and the faculty and students of the General theological seminary. Following the service, the ashes will be placed in the columbarium of Intercession Chapel.

Princeton Students Hear Fr. A. Nash of England

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—The Contribution of Sociology to Theological Understanding was the subject of the Rev. Arnold Nash, visiting English lecturer at Berkeley Divinity School, when he spoke last week before the faculty and students of Princeton theological seminary. He said in part:

It is but a truism to say today that the union of the Christian Churches is an imperative need. But a realistic approach to the problem of reunion must face the fact that the differences between the various branches of the Christian Church arose largely from racial, political, economic and non-theological and non-ecclesiastical factors.

It is not simply that there were theological as distinct from non-theological considerations which led to the disunity of Christendom, but that social factors have conditioned and qualified creeds, hymns, systems of Church polity and other apparently purely 'religious' aspects of the life of the Christian Church.

It is in this sphere that the sociological approach is so vital if as Christians we wish to understand the real nature of the problem of reunion."

Fr. Nash is chairman of the Moral Welfare Council of the Church of England and author of *Education for Christian Marriage*.

Over 100 Church Properties Owned by State of Michigan, Land Board Has Discovered

LANSING, MICH. (RNS)—The state of Michigan has discovered itself to be owner of more than 100 church properties, the state land office disclosed here.

Clarence W. Locke, secretary of the land board, said that although the churches are exempt from real estate taxes, they stand in default of the tax delinquency of which had been overlooked until title to them passed to the state November 3d, for failure to pay back taxes.

Mr. Locke said the board, disliking the thought of seizing church properties but not knowing what to do about it, had found refuge in a provision of the tax laws which declares delinquent properties acquired by the state must be offered for sale at not less than one-fourth of their assessed values of 1938. The properties were not on the tax rolls at that time, he said, and the attorney-general's staff has decided they may not be offered for sale.

The 1941 legislature will be asked to decide what disposition should be made of the foreclosed Church properties, the land board secretary said.

Combined Choirs at Festival

WATERBURY, CONN.—The combined choirs of Trinity church and Christ church, Waterbury, consisting of 70 men and boys, took part in a festival service here on November 19th. The musical program was under the direction of Stanley B. Waterbury, organist and choirmaster at Trinity church.

Three Generations in Choir

CHICAGO—Three generations of choristers were represented in the choir which sang at the 50th anniversary service of the Church of the Mediator in suburban Morgan Park. The three generations included William T. Mathias; his son, Wilfred, and his grandsons, Robert, Stanley, and William.

Plan 30% Increase

NEW YORK—An increase of 30%—from \$20,000 up to \$26,000—is the goal of the diocese of Central New York in its givings to the missionary program. This is another Step Forward being announced by the Presiding Bishop in connection with the fall campaign.

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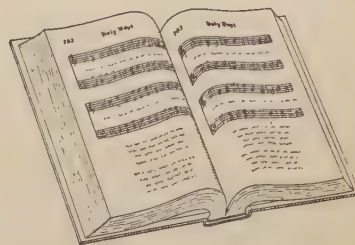
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TAMPA, FLA.—The province of Sewanee contains 150 universities and colleges with a total, in the 82 most important institutions, of 150,000 students, of whom 6,200 are Episcopalians, the college work commission of the Fourth province reported to the synod at its meeting here on November 16th.

The commission also found that the Church has made a fair beginning in caring for the religious needs of its students in the state colleges of the province. It has not done so well, it was felt, in the private

colleges and in the normal schools; and little work has been done for Colored students.

The commission recommended that women workers should be better paid; that better training facilities should be found for them; and that the dioceses should see that, where possible, a clergyman should be resident in every college center.

It was pointed out that there is evidence of a rising tide of interest for college work among people all over the country.

There will be a conference for college students at Ruge Hall, University of Florida, Tallahassee, from December 27th to 30th.

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NECROLOGY



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LEWIS BROWN, PRIEST

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—The Rev. Lewis Brown, rector emeritus of St. Paul church, died November 20th at his apartment here. He was in charge of St. Paul for 35 years.

For many years he had been active in the Masons, the Indiana society, and Sons of the American Revolution. Both church and the Masonic funeral were held November 22d. The pallbearers were 3 degree Masons. Burial was in Spring Grove cemetery, Cincinnati.

Dr. Brown was known to thousands throughout Indianapolis and Indiana because of his lodge and social service work. He came here in 1900 to become rector of St. Paul's. He was the founder of Margaret's guild, a society active in hospital work.

Born in 1855 in Cincinnati, Lewis Brown was the son of David M. and Lucretia Atwater Brown.

Dr. Brown was educated in Cincinnati public schools and Ottawa university. He took a theological degree from Kenyon college in 1902. Northern college, Illinois, gave him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

From 1883 to 1894 he served as rector of St. Luke's church, Cincinnati, and from 1894 to 1900 he was rector of the church in Battle Creek.

MRS. M. J. A. JONES

SHERWOOD, TENN.—Mrs. Mattie Jones Anderson Jones, known to the many Churchmen throughout the United States who are interested in Epiphany mission houses as Mother Jones, died November 12th at her 80th year at Birdsville plantation house in Jenkins county, Ga.

The Requiem Mass followed by Burial Office was celebrated by her son, Rev. George William Jones, in the plantation house. The servers were Epiphany mission boys. Interment was in the family cemetery on the plantation.

WALTER B. KEIGHTON JR.

SWARTHMORE, PA.—Walter Barkley Keighton Jr. died here November 18. For 41 years he was a member of the vestry of Trinity church, as well as parish treasurer and a teacher in the Church school.

Mr. Keighton is survived by his widow, two daughters, and a son. Funeral services were conducted in Trinity church by the rector, the Rev. J. Jarden Gunther.

Observe Double Anniversary

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA—The 32d anniversary of the Rev. E. Sydney Thomas and the 35th anniversary of St. Barnabas church here were observed November 12th. Fr. Thomas has spent his entire ministry at St. Barnabas'.

Thanksgiving Dinner Has Repercussions

Four Corners of Europe Know of
Bishop Paddock's Kind Act in
Helping Refugees from Nazism

YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO—Just a year ago 80 refugees from Nazism sat down to Thanksgiving dinner in New York as the guests of the late Bishop Paddock. Ramifications of the spontaneous, generous act of giving that dinner have reached to far corners of Europe, Bishop Jones pointed out in an interview here. Bishop Paddock gathered the refugees together with the aid of some of the refugee agencies. He had long been interested in the plight of these unfortunate people, and he wanted to make them less lonely, for one day, at least, in the strange city.

"But this is getting ahead of the story," Bishop Jones, retired, said, after he had told the foregoing. He continued: "No one except possibly a few of the Bishop's close friends and, of course, the refugees knew about the dinner. We should begin with May 16, 1939, the day before Bishop Paddock passed away at St. John's hospital in Brooklyn.

"For on that day a letter arrived in New York addressed to His Eminence, the High Reverend Lord Bishop Paddock, Chief of the Presbyterian Parish of the City of New York, N.Y. How he would have enjoyed that address!

"The letter went to Presbyterian headquarters, then to Episcopal headquarters, and finally into the hands of the Episcopal Committee for German Refugees; for it had come from a man in Prague—a Roman Catholic, though a non-Aryan, who had heard that the Bishop had helped many people, and he too needed a friend."

GIVES HIS TIME TO REFUGEES

Bishop Jones himself is chairman of the Committee for German Refugees. He has given much of his time during the last months to working with refugees. No one

Quakers Inaugurate Relief Program for Polish Mothers and Children; Send Agents

PHILADELPHIA (RNS)—The American Friends Service Committee will inaugurate an immediate relief program for Polish children and nursing mothers, Clarence Wickett, executive secretary, announced here.

Relief will be extended without regard to creed, race, nationality, or political affiliation. Three committee representatives, who sailed from New York recently, have been instructed to proceed at once to Warsaw.

Immediate relief will consist of milk, cod liver oil, and 300,000 blankets. It is understood that Jews constitute the most needy cases, being excluded from the 250,000 daily meals distributed by German relief agencies. The program will be carried on in cooperation with the Red Cross and the Commission for Polish Relief, Inc., New York.

could have enjoyed more than he did the story about Bishop Paddock's dinner.

"Some generous Churchwoman supplied the affidavit this man asked for," he continued, "so the man and his wife and two children could come to America. But no light was thrown on the origin of that strange address on the envelope. It was not until August that the next chapter came. While I was on vacation, I received from Bishop Paddock's sister in Seattle a packet of foreign letters which she had found in his hospital room after his death—most of them unopened.

"These turned out to be all from Czechoslovakia, some in English, some in German, almost all asking for affidavits, though not for financial assistance; and the addresses on the letters were weird variations of the one given above.

"Then the truth came out; for one of the letters (there were 12 of them) enclosed a page from the Prague *Tagblatt* for Sunday, January 22, 1939, in which was printed a letter from a refugee, who after being in New York for about four weeks, wrote home

describing his experience. The letter was headed, American Kindness. Incidentally, in the course of the letter the writer included this paragraph:

THANKSGIVING DAY NEW TO HIM

"On Thanksgiving day (none of us knew that this was the most important American holiday), I was invited for dinner by Bishop Paddock, head of the New York Presbyterian community. I had no other recommendation than that of being a newly arrived refugee, belonging to an intellectual profession. The Bishop, a man of 71, made a speech in which he said that the refugees are not only highly welcome, but even very necessary; that the American nation consisted mostly of refugees of different origin and will never forget this fact; and that, finally, no refugee should hesitate for a second to ask the Bishop's help when needed. This sort of welcome was so moving that I had difficulty not to cry."

"It is not strange that at least 13 people, anxious to escape the fate that was there threatening them, knowing no one in America through whom they could get the coveted



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Dr. Bell in Chicago

CHICAGO—The Rev. Dr. Bernard Idings Bell of Providence, R. I., will conduct a mission at the Church of the Redeemer here during the first week in Advent, December 3d to 10th.

Publications of Federal Council of Churches Are to be Combined

NEW YORK (RNS)—A recommendation that *Information Service*, a four-page weekly published by the department of research and education of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America be merged with the council's official monthly, the *Federal Council Bulletin*, was adopted here recently at a meeting of the council's executive committee.

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Woman's Auxiliary Meets With Synod in Tampa, Fla.

TAMPA, FLA.—Officers and delegates of the Woman's Auxiliary in the province of the Episcopal Church met here November 14th to 16th at the same time as the provincial synod. The president, Mrs. Frederick G. Ramsey, presided for the business sessions. Two joint sessions were held with the synod, the first of these giving the report of the president of the synod and of the president of the Auxiliary—the second giving reports from the National Council, the Amsterdam conference, and the University of the South.

Keen enthusiasm, with determination to advance steadily, was shown throughout the sessions. Recommendation was made that a course on the Woman's Auxiliary be included in the work of theological students.

Mrs. Frederick G. Ramsey was reelected president; Mrs. Beverly Sloan was elected vice-president; and Mrs. Reuben Ragland was elected secretary-treasurer, succeeding Mrs. Joseph E. Hart.

CHURCH CALENDAR DECEMBER

00. Second Sunday in Advent.
07. Third Sunday in Advent.
00. Ember Day. (Wednesday.)
01. St. Thomas. (Thursday.)
- 22, 23. Ember Days.
04. Fourth Sunday in Advent.
05. Christmas Day. (Monday.)
05. St. Stephen. (Tuesday.)
07. St. John Evangelist. (Wednesday.)
08. Holy Innocents. (Thursday.)
11. First Sunday after Christmas.

CLERICAL CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS ACCEPTED

BIERCK, REV. W. HUBERT, formerly rector of St. Margaret's, Menands, and in charge of St. Alban's mission, Albany, N. Y. (A.); is rector of Zion Church, Greene, N. Y. (C.N.Y.).

BLACKBURN, REV. LAURENCE H., formerly on the staff of St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston, Mass.; to be rector of St. Anne's Church, Lowell, Mass., effective December 10th.

EHART, REV. EDWARD H., JR., formerly curate in the co-operative parish of Cecil Co., Md.; is rector of Grace Church, Talleyville, Del.

MAY, REV. LYNDE E., formerly assistant at St. Bartholomew's Church, New York City; is rector of St. Andrew's Church, 47 Livingston Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.

METCALF, REV. GEORGE R., formerly senior curate of the Church of the Advent, Boston, Mass.; to be rector of St. Barnabas' Church, Irvington on the Hudson, N. Y.

PEASE, REV. RALPH B., is vicar of St. Paul's Church, Yuma, Ariz. Address, 641 First Ave.

ROE, REV. ALLEN P., formerly rector of Trinity Church, Monroe, Mich.; is rector of St. John's Church, St. Johns, Mich.

USHER, REV. GUY S., formerly assistant at Calvary Church, Memphis, Tenn.; to be in charge of missions at Germantown, Collierville, and Woodstock, with address at Germantown, Tenn., effective January 1st.

WEBSTER, REV. LEWIS H., is curate of St. Michael's Church, New York City. Address, 225 West 99th St.

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VERCOE, REV. LINCOLN R., retired, should be addressed at 515 W. 27th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

ORDINATION

Priest

MICHIGAN—The Rev. ROBERT W. BELL, in charge of St. Mark's Church, Marine City, Mich., was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Creighton of Michigan in St. Mark's Church, November 22d. The ordinand was presented by the Ven. Leonard P. Hagger and the Rev. Henry J. Simpson preached the sermon.

MARRIAGES

BARTLAM, THE REV. E. S., rector of St. Mary's church, Eugene, Ore., was married November 14th to Mrs. Elizabeth M. Taggart of San Diego, Calif., in St. Stephen's cathedral, Portland. Bishop Dagwell of Oregon officiated.

FLISHER, THE REV. LEONARD HAWKINS, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Flisher of Oakville, Conn., was married on October 28th at the Old Moravian chapel in Bethlehem, Pa., to Miss Mildred Louise Leibfried, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Leibfried. The Rev. Dr. C. A. Meilicke, assisted by the Rev. John S. Kromer, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Flisher will live at the rectory in Middle Haddam, Conn., where Mr. Flisher is vicar of St. John's chapel.

Bishop Jett Dedicates Altar

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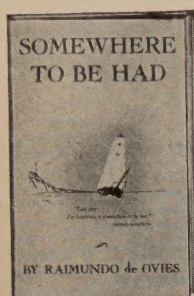
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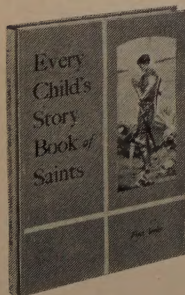
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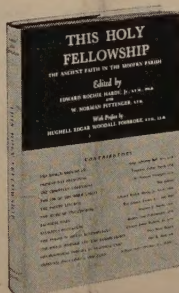
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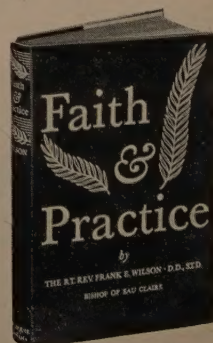


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